



CRAWFORD COUNTY AVALANCHE

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1998-99 County budget adopted

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners adopted the 1998-99 County budget on September 25, after much discussion and successful negotiations with the employees' union.

Some county positions were saved and the proposed cutback in operating hours was avoided because County government and union employees, belonging to AFSCME Local 2759 discovered a few ways to cut corners.

Union employees have agreed to a wage freeze for one year and the county agreed to make cuts where necessary.

"I'm so proud of our employees. They are a fine group of people to work with," said County Clerk Sandra Moore.

"We found out that management and union can work together for the good of the community," said Carol Conklin, Chapter Chair of Local 2759.

Working together the two entities found that the County could save money on their health insurance costs by raising co-pays on prescriptions and doctor's office visits.

The County Board agreed to

increases in license and permit fees collected by the County Clerk/Register of Deeds (vital records) and the County Treasurer (dog licenses).

The County also took the following action: (1) No raises for appointed/elected official or other salaried staff; (2) Commissioner's budget will include the County Controller position and fringe benefits; (3) Commissioners salaries, per diem and travel expenses were reduced; (4) Confidential secretary position to be eliminated when Controller is hired. (5) A total of \$9,526 was cut from the total court budget. (6) A shared funded position with the MSU Extension has been cut to part-time until alternate funding is located; (7) The Sheriff's Department will receive no new patrol cars, will reduce various line items and the 1997-98 layoffs will continue; (8) Travel expenses incurred by county employees for conferences, etc. that are deemed non-essential are eliminated.

This budget was devised and estimated on the prior three years actual receipts and year to date receipts for 1997-98. The board did not include any transfers from the Tax Revolving Fund in its figuring.

Road Commission agrees to maintain Smith Bridge

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Road Commission for Crawford County Board of Commissioners passed a resolution on Thursday, September 17, to accept ownership of Smith Bridge.

Smith Bridge was built by the Department of Natural Resources, which requested the county adopt the bridge for "ownership and maintenance."

Smith Bridge was designed as a 20 ton capacity structure, which the

Road Commission tested prior to voting on the bridge adoption resolution.

The Board voted 3-0 to pass the resolution, following advice from the Road Commission's consulting engineer, Howard Haselschwardt.

"We've been through all the paperwork the DNR sent us, and they did everything we asked," said Haselschwardt. "The numbers are all there, it rates out. I recommend we accept it. I think we get a fairly low maintenance bridge."

Lovells clean-up postponed - rescheduled for Saturday

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Adopt-A-Forest clean-up that was to take place last Saturday in Lovells was postponed due to unfavorable weather conditions.

"We couldn't possibly send people out there, with all the rain and wind," said Lovells Hook and Trigger Club President Otto Brantley.

The Club had organized the clean-up effort, coordinating with various local organizations to gather volunteers and vehicles.

The clean-up has been resched-

uled for this Saturday, October 3. The event will take place at the originally planned time of 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

"From 11:30 to one we'll have a real nice meal for the volunteers," said Brantley.

Anyone interested in taking part in the outdoor clean-up should report to the Lovells Township Hall at 8 a.m. Volunteers are urged to bring gloves and wear work shoes.

"We're still interested in getting volunteers," said Brantley. "We're going to try it again this weekend."

Lowe invites candidate Bradstreet to discuss issues at Grayling office

State Representative Allen Lowe, R-Grayling, has scheduled office hours with Crawford County residents on Friday, October 9, at the Circuit Court Room in Grayling.

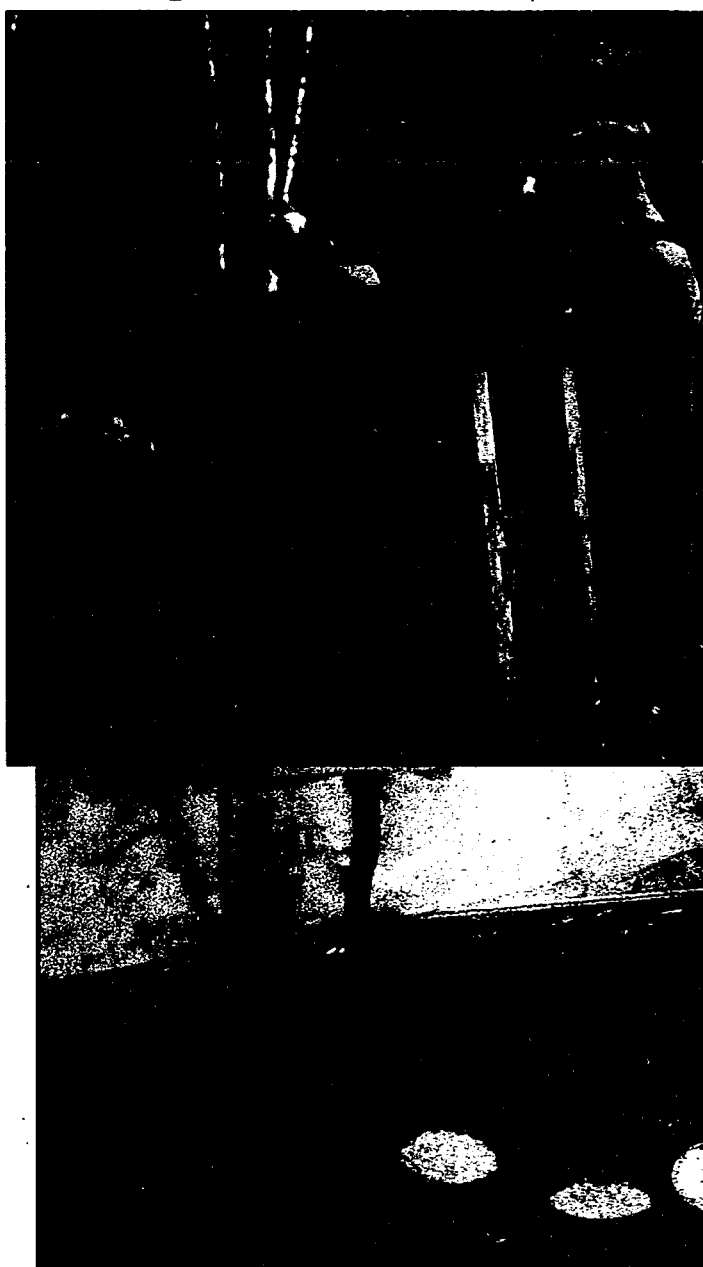
The 105th District lawmaker, who has invited Republican candidate Ken Bradstreet to join him, will be available from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30

a.m. to answer questions or discuss issues.

"No appointment is necessary, and everyone should feel free to stop by," Lowe said. "I am eager to introduce them to a community leader who wants to hear the concerns of area residents."

For more information, call Lowe at (517) 348-9517.

Many came to take a Walk-Thru-History



A LESSON OR TWO - (left) Visitors to Wellington Farm Park this past weekend had the opportunity to take a *Walk-Thru-History* and see apple cider made the old-fashioned way by park interpreter Chuck Merryfield. They also had the opportunity to learn about Native American culture during the early days of our country. Jim Giessel (below), of Waters, explained the importance of special growing techniques, used by the Native Americans, that are still in use today.

Photos by Cheryl Ruley



Grayling Antique Adventure Weekend still on Historic Timberliner excursion cancelled

The Bluewater Michigan Chapter of the National Railway Historical Society regrets to announce that the "Timberliner" rail excursion, scheduled for October 10 and 11, has been cancelled.

The excursion was to have operated over the Lake States Railway from Kawkawlin and West Branch

to Grayling, then on to Waters.

It had become apparent to the railroad that maintenance work necessary to bring the line up to passenger carrying standards would not be completed in time for the excursion.

Bluewater President Frank Corley stated, "We are very disappointed by these unforeseen circumstances, as

are our customers. But, we had no choice."

The Saturday excursion was already sold out and the Sunday excursion was well on the way to a sell-out.

The Crawford County Historical Society regrets any inconvenience the cancellation has caused. All

refunds are being handled through the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce at (517) 348-2921.

The Grayling Antique Adventure Weekend will go on as planned and area merchants hope that cancellation of the train trip will not hamper the plans of antique lovers that come to the event from near and far.

Prescott woman dies while performing good deed

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

A 65-year old Prescott woman lost her life late Saturday night while possibly saving others.

Grayling City Police reported that Doris J. Shinabarger had been a passenger in a vehicle driven by her husband, James L. Shinabarger. Mr. Shinabarger was forced to stop after nearly striking a shopping cart that was in his lane of traffic on the south I-75 Business Loop near McDonald's restaurant.

According to Patrolman Darrell Earls, Mrs. Shinabarger exited the vehicle she was riding in to remove the shopping cart from the roadway. While in the process of pushing the cart off of the road, she was struck by a vehicle being driven by Kerry I. Harrington of Grayling.

North Flight Ambulance service responded to the scene but was unable to save Mrs. Shinabarger from the injuries sustained in the accident.

The accident happened at 11:25 p.m., during one of the many thunderstorms the Grayling area experienced over the weekend.

The investigation is incomplete on this accident, however Earls stated that alcohol does not seem to be a factor at this time.

Anyone having any information in this matter should contact Patrolman Darrell Earls, City of Grayling Police Department, at (517) 348-4621.

Pumpkinfest offers fall fun



Weekends in October will find Wellington Farm Park a beehive of autumn activity for the entire family.

High on the list of fun things to do at the annual Wellington *Pumpkinfest*, are the free hayrides and the cider mill.

Other activities include various daily farm chores, like grinding grain, corn husking, and feeding the animals. The blacksmith shop and the sawmill will also be in operation during portions of the weekend.

The Wes Hayes Trail offers a beautiful autumn walk through a hardwood forest.

The park's Visitor Center will be well stocked with squash, pumpkins, apples, and cider. Corn stalks, gourds and other seasonal decorative items will be available to purchase.

Pumpkinfest is a family event for all ages. Park staff say that it is almost a certainty that during the course of a visit, everyone will learn something or see something of which they had no previous knowledge. Many of the exhibits and demonstrations require "hands-on" assistance from the park's visitors.

Wellington Farm Park is open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays, in October. The park is located on Military Road, south of Four Mile Road, with easy access to I-75 and US-27. Admission is \$2 and includes a hayride around the park.

Call 1-888-653-3276 for more information.

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October 8, 1998

The Chamber and GPA, along with these businesses, salute the community with these activities and specials for Thursday, October 8th

Comfort Center: We'll pay the sales tax...just ask us! October 8th only.

Tees 'N' Such: Get a head start on your Christmas shopping, save 10% on any purchase October 8th only. Register for a \$20 gift certificate, complimentary cider and donuts.

Northland Area Federal Credit Union: Complimentary cider, donuts and coffee all day long.

Empire National Bank: Enjoy donut holes and cider, new accounts receive three month's free checking.

Goodale's Bakery: Stop in for a complimentary cup of cider.

Doorways of the North: 5% off any product purchased Thursday, October 8th.

Mercy Amicare Home Care & Hospice: Complimentary cider & donuts.

Buccilli's Pizza: Free 32 oz. soft drink with any purchase.

Mercy Hospital: Complimentary refreshment cart in main lobby.

Spike's Keg O' Nails: Happy hour all day, plus free french fries with sandwich order.

A Cut Above: Stop in for our complimentary special blend coffee, cookies, and enter our special drawing.

Reliable Supply: 5% off everything in stock, all day, October 8th.

Advanced Business Machines: Complimentary donuts and cider.

AuSable Gifts: 10-20% off sale on many items throughout the store, also complimentary candy treats.

Chemical Bank: Complimentary refreshments.

Cornell Insurance: Complimentary treat.

Cornell Real Estate: Enjoy complimentary cider, donuts, and sweet juicy apples.

Crawford County Historical Museum: Free admission and refreshments.

Fick & Sons: Free coffee and donuts.

Citizens Bank: 11 am to 2 pm, picnic-style lunch with hot dogs, cider, donuts and coffee served on the bank lawn.

J. Dap Co.: Special sale items, complimentary refreshments.

Stevens Family Circle: Free beverage with purchase of any meal.

Crown Jewelers: 20% off any regular price item. Complimentary coffee & cookies.

Grayling Holiday Inn: Free pancakes with any breakfast til 11 am. Drawing for one-night package.

Iron Gate Restaurant: Free beverage with any lunch or dinner.

Scheer Motors: Lube, oil & filter for \$15.95 on Thursday, October 8th only. Up to five quarts of oil, not valid with any other offer.

Heads Up North: 10% off any retail product.

Sawmill Billiards: Happy hour all day Thursday, October 8th. Play pool for 1/2 price.

Grayling Big Boy Restaurant: Free coffee or regular-size soft drink with any purchase of breakfast, lunch or dinner entree.

Wendy's: 89¢ singles and free "biggie sizing" with any combo purchase thru October 12th, not valid with any other offer.

Framery II: Stop in for complimentary refreshments. Register to win a gift certificate.

RE/MAX of Grayling: Complimentary coffee, cider and donuts.

The Ice House: Save 20% on holiday ornaments, and 20% on fall and Christmas fabrics.

Crawford County Avalanche: Visit our office and receive a free 15-word classified ad for our 10/17/98 issue.

Parrott's Perch Boutique: Sign up to win a gift certificate.

Grayling Antique Mall: Complimentary refreshments. Sign up to win a gift certificate.

Century 21 River Country: Complimentary coffee and donuts.

Little Caesars of Grayling: Your choice of a free 32 oz. soft drink or free crazy sauce with purchase of any order of crazy bread. Thursday only from 11 am to 10 pm.

Grayling Post Office: Refreshments. Register to win prizes.

AAA: Stop in and pick up a free snowscraper or do-it-yourself security lock.

Grayling Restaurant: Free coffee with \$1.50 meal purchase.

Old Kent: Complimentary glass of cider with donut or cookie.

Doorways: Free hand control with purchase of garage door opener, Thursday, October 8th.

Bronco Amoco: Free coffee all day, October 8th.

Lowe helps pass bill to share oil revenue profits

The House Forestry and Mineral Rights Committee has approved legislation redirecting 25 percent of oil and gas severance tax revenues to counties, cities, townships and villages from which the resources are removed.

State Rep. Allen Lowe, sponsor of House Bill 5983, said the revenue should be returned to the counties or municipal governments where the wells are located.

"They are the ones picking up the tab for the roads, law enforcement and other expensive services," said Lowe, R-Grayling. "After bearing these costs, they deserve a share of the profits."

These expenditures cause significant strain for many of these rural

areas, where large tracts of federal and state land keep tax bases low.

The state collects between \$36 million and \$42 million annually in severance tax revenues from oil and gas wells. About 98 percent of this goes to the state's general fund.

Currently, the state shares none of its profits from oil and gas development with the areas that tolerate the nuisances associated with that development.

The Michigan Townships Association and Michigan Association of Counties back the legislation. Alcona, Antrim, Crawford, Montmorency, Otsego and other counties also support Lowe's bill. HB 5983 has been sent to the House floor.

Senator Abraham's mobile office to stop in Grayling

The mobile office of U.S. Senator Spencer Abraham (R-MI) will roll through five counties in northern lower Michigan on Friday, October 2, to enable constituents to meet with members of the Senator's staff.

Senator Abraham has established a mobile office to serve communities in all 83 Michigan counties. The mobile office travels the state equipped to make available to all Michigan citizens the full services of a permanent Senate office and visits every county in the state every year.

While Senator Abraham himself will not be visiting, his Regional Director will be available to listen to constituent concerns and to offer assistance with issues involving

federal policies or programs.

Appointments are not necessary. Accommodations for individuals with disabilities may be arranged by contacting the Mobile Office Coordinator in advance of the visit at (248) 350-0510.

Please contact the Mobile Office Coordinator if you have any other questions or requests.

On Friday, October 2, the mobile office will be at the Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce, 213 N. James Street, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Also on that day, the mobile office will be in Kalkaska's municipal parking lot, across 3rd Street from the post office, from 10:45 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Cedars planted for river restoration

Seventy northern Michigan residents have planted over 1,000 young cedar seedlings this past week in an effort to preserve and protect the cold water fishery of the AuSable and Manistee River watersheds.

The second year of this "one-of-its-kind" restoration project encouraged cedar seedlings planting by local river property owners to help maintain the delicate balance of the river's ecological system.

The Michigan white cedars along the river's banks provide needed shade to maintain the cold water fishery. The presence of the cedar sweepers at the water line provides protection for the fish, increases the amount of large woody debris in the water, as well as provides for the preservation of the riverbank by locking in the soil.

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McConnell sentenced in impaired driving case

by Cheryl Ruley
Staff Writer

Camp Grayling Commander Col. Gary J. McConnell was sentenced in District Court by Judge Francis Walsh, on September 22, in connection with an incident of impaired driving in May.

McConnell was sentenced to a \$560 fine or 60 days in jail, six months probation, one day in jail, with credit for one day served.

McConnell pleaded guilty to impaired driving in District Court at a hearing August 18.

Walsh at that time suspended McConnell's license for 90 days but gave him limited driving privileges restricted to those needed during the course of his employment.

In response to McConnell's guilty plea, Brigadier General Robert V. Taylor, Assistant Adjutant General for the Army, issued the following statement in August:

"It is regrettable that Colonel McConnell committed this offense. Upon notification of Colonel McConnell's guilty plea, a department reprimand and counseling review was initiated.

"In consideration of Colonel McConnell's voluntary completion of a two-week rehabilitative program at Wright Patterson Air Force Base, in June, further disciplinary action has been suspended.


"In recognition of Colonel McConnell's exemplary military service, I expect this painful experience will not inhibit his ability to perform his duties."

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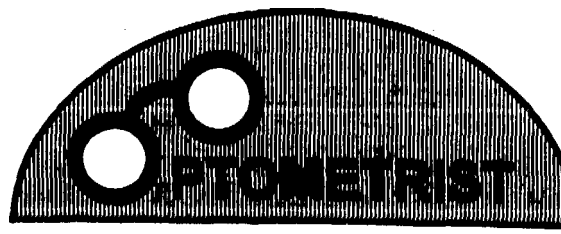
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White cedars planted to aid in riverbank restoration

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There is virtually no natural regeneration of Michigan white cedars in northern Michigan due to the tremendous deer populations. Many river property owners have long recognized the complete absence of any young cedars in our area. They have attempted to plant replacement cedar seedlings only to have the deer eat them again.

Recognizing that this problem exists and a solution needed to be found, volunteer members of the AuSable River System Property Owners Association (ARSPOA) pre-packaged Michigan white cedar seedlings into a "planting kit." Included in this planting kit were: ten Michigan white cedar seedlings, protective enclosure, wooden stakes, ties to secure fence, and complete planting instructions. Committee members included: Bernie Fowler, Charlie Guenther, Brian Benjamin, Bill Kessel, Ed Parks, Brian Crouch, and chairman Howard N. Johnson.

Local river property owners purchased all the seedlings that were available for the project this year. The committee is pleased to report that the interest is so strong that about one-half of the available tree stock for next year's project has already been committed.

To order kits for next summer, please contact Howard N. Johnson at 1-517-753-6373.

The actual cost for all the material in the "Cedar Tree Kit" was substantially more than the asking price. The purchase price was subsidized by George W. Mason Chapter (Grayling) of Trout



LOADING UP - Bernie Fowler loads wooden stakes (left), as Don Zelenka (center) and Jeff McClain (right) load the fencing that is necessary to protect the cedars from hungry deer.

Unlimited. William B. Mershon Chapter (Saginaw) of Trout Unlimited, Paul H. Young Chapter (Detroit) of Trout Unlimited, Clinton Valley Chapter of Trout Unlimited, Michigan Council of Trout Unlimited, Upper Manistee River Association, Anglers of the AuSable (Grayling) and Mr. Craig Hinkle, Re/Max of Grayling. Many local businesses also helped with the project, including Wayne Wire Cloth Products of Hillman and Village Ace Hardware of Roscommon.



ASSEMBLY REQUIRED - Ed Parks (left) explains how to put together the protective enclosures as Bill Giffin (right) looks on.



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PLANTING KNOW-HOW - Kathy Burkley (left), and April Andrus (right) handed out planting instructions to residents.

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ISSUES AND OPINIONS

ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

Hey! There's an election going on out here!



MEANWHILE, back in Michigan, there's an election going on.

With America's political attention focused on how President Clinton lied, and what he did or didn't do with Monica Lewinsky and/or others...

And with Ken Starr unloading cases of "new evidence" every few days, and the resultant uproar over who said what and when...

And with congressional leaders trying to figure out how to handle what they finally got their hands on...

And with Mr. Clinton bobbing and weaving, and repenting and threatening, and defending and attacking all at the same time, while still leading the free world and "doing the job the people elected him to do"...

Well, it's easy to lose sight of the important election process going on back here in Michigan.

MAYBE IT'S just as well attention centers on Washington. There doesn't seem to be much excitement in Michigan's election.

What threatened to be a spirited sprint between Republican Gov. John Engler and fire-spitting Democratic challenger Geoffrey Fieger hasn't turned into a love fest by any means, but it's just not very exciting.

The biggest hassle so far has been about debates. Apparently there won't be any, because the two contenders can't agree on where and when and how.

It's not a big deal to most folks. Political debates are not debates in the first place; they're joint appearances. They're not designed to illu-

minate policy, but only to keep from making a mistake. Usually they're not exciting, but dull.

WHAT ELSE is new in the governor's race? Not much.

Mr. Engler has a lot more he wants to do for the state, and has outlined a pretty broad list for a third term, which makes one wonder what he's been up to for the last eight years.

Mr. Fieger has called the Governor a liar and a coward, among other things. He hasn't got to "sniveling weasel" yet, as he characterized one of his primary opponents, but there's several weeks of the campaign to go.

He's attacked Gov. Engler on roads, and accused him of cronyism, of watering the asphalt used for road repairs, of hiding "mass amounts of waste, fraud and corruption." There's no chapter and verse on any of this, of course... just charges.

But generally, Challenger Fieger has been defensive, which is not the way he won the Democratic primary.

He spends a lot of time talking to unions, and cozying up to their leadership. These are the same folks he demonized during the primary, when somebody else had pretty solid union support. But that was then and this is now. The union meetings generally seem receptive to his message, while the leadership, although generally not negative, is not especially positive either.

Mr. Fieger has made peace with party leaders, too, including State Chair Mark Brewer, to whom Mr. Fieger vowed to give the boot. Mr. Brewer, of course, stayed.

Much of Mr. Fieger's time has been spent apologizing and building fences with people and institutions which he has savaged in the past, especially religious leaders. Whether that's a political remedy is problematic.

ALL THE WHILE, Gov. Engler rides the crest of 60 percent favor in political polls. That's sweep proportions.

Candidates at the bottom of the Democratic ticket are worried. A 60 percent Engler sweep could broom out all the Democratic candidates for the State Board of Education and the governing bodies of Michigan State, Wayne State and University of Michigan.

While most local Democratic candidates go along with Mr. Fieger, there seems little warmth there. Some disavow him completely, usually citing his anti-religious sprouting; some, such as U.S. Rep. Bart Stupak in Northern Michigan, are staying neutral.

With the troubles in Washington probably hurting Democrats more than Republicans, and with Mr. Fieger more and more appearing to be a negative on his ticket, a Michigan Republican landslide could be in the making.

In politics, however -- especially in Michigan, with a long tradition of ticket splitting -- the only safe time to make such a prediction is after the votes are counted.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

LETTERS TO THE

EDITOR

Let's hope lawmakers focus on tax cut despite distractions

To the editor,

Despite the attention devoted to the Starr Report, there is some other heartening business going on in Washington -- at least in Congress.

A Republican tax cut plan is gaining momentum in the House, perhaps winning over recalcitrant Democrats. The \$80 billion pack-

aging to it. In fact, coupled with a cut in payroll taxes, the President could be on to something.

For example, \$100 billion would cover a payroll tax cut of three percent, money that could be placed in individual retirement accounts.

Unfortunately, many politicians who talk about "saving Social

Allocations as percent of median two-income family budget

	1957	1997
Federal taxes	19.9%	26.1%
State & Local taxes	7.9	11.5
Food	18.6	9.0
Clothing	6.9	3.8
House & household	18.5	15.4
Medical care	3.9	10.6
Transportation	8.5	6.7
Recreation	3.7	5.0
Other	5.9	8.4
Savings	6.2	3.6

Source: Tax Foundation, representative burden of two-income family.

The tax cut plan would be funded by budget surpluses for years. Yet some in Washington remain opposed to using these surpluses to provide tax relief.

If we don't cut taxes, what are we going to do with the extra money?

Well, we could spend it. The problem is, we haven't exactly penny-

pinched our way into surplus. In fact, the main reason the deficits have disappeared is not because the Era of Big Government is over. We're in the black because of massive cuts in the rate of spending on defense.

Adjusted for inflation, defense spending fell a whopping 30 percent over the past decade. Non-defense spending rose by that much and more. In fact, the federal government spends more non-defense dollars as a percent of economic output today than ever before. As a result, total spending continues to grow.

So if we don't spend the surplus and don't cut taxes, what else is there?

Well, we could pay down the debt. That sounds like a reasonable Father-Knows-Best approach. But with interest rates low, the money we'd save in borrowing costs is paltry compared to the money pocketed from tax cuts.

According to the Heritage Foundation, using the \$100 billion surplus (expected by 2006) to pay off \$100 billion of debt would save \$6.6 billion in interest expense. With the same \$100 billion, they say, you could wipe out capital gains taxes, the estate tax, and the alternative minimum tax -- and still have enough left over to cut rates across the board.

It's hard to imagine that kind of tax relief would not yield more benefits to more Americans than cutting interest expense by less than five percent.

Finally, there are those, including the President, who argue we should save "Social Security First." This idea does have a noble

Security" are against any form of privatization. They have resigned themselves to ever-expanding federal budgets to cover Social Security obligations.

But, with non-defense spending accounting for a record share of national output, do Americans want to expand government's role further?

There is, of course, another reason for a tax cut. It's our money. Taxes are high whether viewed as a percentage of GDP or as the bite out of the median, two-income family's budget. Most of the blame for the federal tax squeeze can be placed squarely on the regressive payroll tax.

The attached table illustrates the growing tax burden on middle-income families. Note how rising federal, state, and local taxes devoured the windfall from cheaper food and consumer goods. In other words, as food and clothing shrank as a percentage of consumer budgets, taxes grew.

The tax burden on the middle-class is the real scandal in Washington. Let's hope there's enough support for Archer's tax cuts to begin addressing that scandalous policy.

Tex Lezar, Co-Chairman
American Miracle Project
Dallas, TX

Tex Lezar is Co-Chairman of the American Miracle Project, former president of Empower America, and currently a partner at the Dallas law firm of Vial, Hamilton, Koch, and Knox. The American Project supports simpler, fair, pro-growth tax policy.

WASHINGTON UPDATE

by U.S. Senator Spencer Abraham (R-MI)

Protect yourself against credit-ruining identity theft

It's time to buy a house. You are not worried about getting a loan because you have always stayed current on your credit card payments and conscientiously paid all your bills. Then it happens. Your lender rejects you for the loan because of a bad credit report.

Upset and wondering what has happened, you get a copy of the report only to find that "you" have been racking up bad debts on credit cards, personal loans and lines of credit for some time.

You don't even recognize the accounts on which you have defaulted. How could this have happened?

All too easily. And it could happen to you, as it happened just recently to a member of my staff. Identity theft occurs about 2,000 times every week, costing as much

as \$2 billion every year. And it is one of the fastest growing financial crimes in the United States.

To steal your identity, criminals first steal your mail, collect credit card receipts, run license plates through DMV records, pose as a loan officer and order credit reports, or use a number of other methods. They then use the information they have gained to open credit card accounts and otherwise use your good name and credit to bilk banks and merchants.

And, as of now, it's not even a crime to steal your identity. Current laws allow the government to prosecute these criminals for various forms of fraud, but they treat the banks and other businesses as the victims, not you. This leaves law-

abiding citizens on their own dealing with the damage done to their credit and good name.

I am sponsoring legislation to change this. My bill would give individual victims of fraud offenses like identity theft the right to seek restitution for all costs involved in retrieving lost credit and reputation. The legislation also would make it a federal crime to steal personal information and increase penalties against identity thieves.

This legislation will make it more difficult and risky for criminals to steal innocent people's identities. But there are steps all of us still need to take to keep from becoming victims.

All of us should be very careful about giving out our identifying

information, including Social Security numbers, and should only carry as many credit cards and ID's as absolutely necessary. We also should keep watch on credit-card bills, calling the company if they do not arrive on time, and making certain that credit applications and receipts are stored safely or disposed of properly.

If we think someone is using our personal identification improperly, or if we lose a credit card or ID, we should contact the credit bureaus and ask that a "fraud alert" be placed on our file. This will make it more difficult for identity thieves to open accounts under our names.

We can't stop all identity theft. But we can and should punish the thieves more severely and make it harder for them to find victims.

The other side speaks out on the parking lot issue

To the editor,

This is a simulated newspaper article from September, 1998. The headline reads: "Local business charges local businesses for parking."

Story to follow: Recently a local restaurant began charging local business owners and employees for parking in a lot located behind their offices downtown.

One business was asked to pay \$6,000 a year in parking fees. The reason given for the need to charge for parking was to cover expenses (liability, upkeep, etc.) and the growing need for their own customer parking.

Reporters contacted other local business owners asking them their views. Most felt it was not good community relations to try and make money on your fellow business owners and residents.

One business employee who asked to remain anonymous had this to say: "I've lived and

worked in Grayling for 18 years and I thought I had seen it all but this takes the cake."

Local business should be working together, not trying to squeeze money out of fellow businesses. Seems like if the costs were getting out of control, they should have met with those involved and came up with an equitable amount to cover those costs for all involved including themselves.

Some businesses were already paying for a portion of the plowing costs.

Many employees are currently parking in other areas, walking a block or so to work or parking in the front Michigan Ave. parking spots (which limits spots for customers to the businesses).

Better be careful if you walk in the parking lot, we hear they will be posting a "No Trespassing" sign and you could be arrested.

Just seems to me, locals should work togeth-

er to benefit the whole local business community.

You can bet I will not recommend that restaurant to my friends and neighbors and most of the people I have talked to feel the same way.

I have supported local businesses for many years but when I see someone taking advantage, they have lost my loyalty. Not good business practice if you ask me.

One employee was heard to say, "Better be careful, the city might see what a money making project parking could become and put up parking meters."

End of fictional story.... but....Guess what?...It's true and happening right here in Grayling.

Sherry Haag
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Letters to the Editor

The opinions expressed in the letters and columns on this page are solely those of the writer and do not reflect the views of *The Avalanche*.

Your views are welcome on the Opinion Page. Letters may be typed or handwritten, but please double-space or use every other line and limit to 500 words.

Every letter must be signed and an address and

telephone number must be included to be considered for publication. Letters will not be published without the author's name.

All letters are subject to editing and will be printed as space allows.

Deadline for submission of letters to the editor is Friday at noon for consideration for publication in the following week's paper.

Avalanche deadlines

Community Briefs items submitted to *The Avalanche* must be turned in to the office by Monday noon, to appear in that week's issue.

Letters to the Editor must be turned in to *The Avalanche* by noon on Friday to be considered for the next issue.

Photographs must be turned in to the office by noon on Friday for consideration in the next issue.

News items and letters should be submitted on 8 1/2"x 11" paper, typed, and double-spaced. Handwritten items must also have ample space between each line; on lined paper, please use every other line.

Classified ads by the word must be turned in by Tuesday noon and have to be paid for in advance or they will not be published.

Classified display ads must be turned in by Monday noon.

Full page, half page, or color display ads must be turned in by Thursday at 5 p.m.

The deadline for all display ads smaller than a half page is Friday at 5 p.m.

COMMUNITY NEWS BRIEFS

Spaghetti dinner to benefit Cindy Studer

A benefit spaghetti dinner to benefit uninsured lung cancer victim Cindy Studer of Roscommon, will be held at the CRAF Center in Roscommon on Saturday, October 3, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Dinner costs a donation of \$5. The benefit will include an auction and gospel music. For more information, please contact Jesse and Judy Carlson at (517) 275-8546.

Retired state employees to meet

Regular meeting of North Central Area Chapter #19, of the State Employee Retirees Association, will be held Tuesday, October 6, at the Houghton Lake Community Building, beginning at 2 p.m. All retired state employees and their spouses are encouraged to attend.

Wrestling team to hold car wash at 7-11

The Grayling High School wrestling team will hold a car wash on Saturday, October 3, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., at the 7-11 store in Grayling. Cost is any donation to help support the team in their travels and overnight stays.

Legion Auxiliary to hold craft show

The Grayling American Legion Auxiliary is sponsoring a craft show and bake sale on Saturday, October 3, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the Grayling Post on James Street, to raise money for their various community service activities. Entrance to the show will be at the back door of the Legion Hall.

Headwaters Land Conservancy to meet

The Headwaters Land Conservancy will hold its next meeting at 7 p.m. on October 8, in the Commissioners' Room of the Courthouse Annex in Mio, located one block SE of the blinker light at M-33 and M-72. The Conservancy assists landowners in preparing conservation easements and other forms of land protection plans, along with helping to determine the future of your property. Feel free to bring your questions and concerns to the meeting. For more information, please call (517) 826-5714.

Bereavement support meetings planned

The Bereavement Support Group meets at St. Mary's Learning Center, located at 702 Peninsular in Grayling, on first and third Thursdays, from 3 to 5 p.m. For more information, please call Mary Beth Dettling, Spiritual Care/Bereavement Coordinator, at 348-4383 or 1-800-424-1457. Also, a special memorial service for your lost loved ones will be held on Wednesday, October 14, at 3 p.m., at St. Michael's Church in Roscommon. To submit the name of a loved one, please call Mary Beth Dettling at the number(s) listed above. Refreshments will be served at the service.

Change of site for commodities pick up

There has been a change of site and time for the CSFP (Commodities) pick up. Commodities will be distributed on Wednesday, October 7, at the Eagles Club, at 602 Huron Street (M-72 East), in Grayling, between 9:30 and 10:30 a.m., a different time as previously posted.

Mio K of C Auxiliary to hold craft sale

The Mio Knights of Columbus #7329 Auxiliary is sponsoring a craft and bake sale on Saturday, October 3, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the K of C Hall in Mio (located behind Glen's Market), to benefit the charitable works of the Ladies Auxiliary. Donuts and lunch will be available. For more information, please call (517) 826-5088.

Marriages renewed at Crystal Mountain

Marriage Encounter Weekends are scheduled for October 23-25 at Crystal Mountain in Thompsonville. The weekend encounter is a special time for couples that have a good marriage but want to grow deeper in their relationship. The closeness experienced on the weekend may bring a new joy and excitement to a marriage. Call Chris and Steve Seager at (517) 348-8096 for more information or to register. Another weekend is planned to be held at St. Augustine Center in Conway, December 4-6.

Low cost spay and neuter clinic planned

A low cost spay and neuter clinic, sponsored by Animal Crafters, will be held Saturday, October 3, at the Crawford County Fairgrounds. A \$10 deposit is required and additional donations will be accepted. Contact Jill at (517) 348-1410 or Shannon at (517) 348-2201 for more information.

Master Gardener Society elects new officers

The Master Gardener Society met on September 14 and elected officers for the 1998-99 season.

The President is Barb Bishoff, Vice President is Jean Schneider, and Secretary-Treasurer is Norma Boyle.

Meetings will continue to be held on the second Monday of each month.

Anyone interested in learning how to "Put Your Garden to Bed" is welcome at the Monday, October 12 meeting.

You do not need to be a Master Gardener or to have participated in the Master Gardener program.

Everyone is welcome to come and bring a friend to the meeting at Lyon Township Hall at 7 p.m., for some refreshments and hints on helping your plants survive the winter.

Or, maybe you have some hints of your own to share.

For more information, please call President Barb Bishoff at (517) 275-4926.

North Central Area Credit Union Participates in 'Denim Day'

We probably all know someone who's been affected by breast cancer. That is why in 1996, Lee National Denim Day was created by Lee Company President Terry Lay. Lee National Denim Day is a nationwide corporate event, to fight breast cancer and hopefully eliminate it.

Since the program began, response across the country has been overwhelming. Last year Lee Company collected over \$3.5 million to fund breast cancer research. This year the goal is to collect over \$4 million in the one day.

North Central Area Credit Union participated in Lee National Denim Day in 1997 and collected over \$500 from their employees and the community. North Central will be collecting funds again this year, with a goal of raising \$800 in the one day. Show your support, stop in any

North Central Area Credit Union office, make a donation and receive a pink ribbon lapel pin (the universal symbol for breast cancer awareness).

All branches will also set up an information area with brochures and various breast cancer information. Everyone who contributes brings all of us that much closer to a cure.

All funds generated nationwide will fund research, education, screening and treatment through the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. The Komen Foundation was established by Nancy Brinker in memory of her sister who died from breast cancer at the age of 36.

If you have any questions about Lee National Denim Day, please feel free to contact Mary Koliba, Marketing Director at 348-7488.

DAV to hold seminar

Detailed explanations of the full range of benefits available to disabled veterans and their families will be presented at an upcoming Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Veterans Information Seminar at the following locations:

Menominee Senior Center, 905 10th Street (1 block south of US 41), Menominee, MI 49858. October 3, 1998, 1-4 p.m.

D.J. Jacobetti Home for Veterans, 425 Fisher, Marquette, MI 49855. October 4, 1998, 1-4 p.m.

VFW Hall, 94 E. Genesee Street, Iron River, MI 49935. October 5, 1998, 7 p.m.

VFW Hall, 1110 N. State Street, St. Ignace, MI 49810. October 6, 1998, 6 p.m.

Like all services provided by the nonprofit DAV, there will be no charge for these informative seminars, which will be hosted by Menominee County Chapter No. 25, Marquette County Chapter No. 22,

Chippewa Chapter No. 67 and Straits Chapter No. 93.

A highly trained National Service Officer from the DAV's Detroit office will conduct the seminars. "This veterans' benefits expert offers you the best counseling and claim filing assistance you and your family can get," said Arthur H. Wilson, DAV National Adjutant, in a letter inviting local veterans and their families to the seminars.

That's important, he said, because "so many disabled veterans feel confused about benefits and services they've earned. There's so much to know...and so many changes from one year to the next."

Veterans and members of their families need not be DAV or DAV Auxiliary members to take advantage of this free DAV service. They should bring their Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) claim number and Social Security number to the DAV Veterans Information Seminar.

Alison Krauss to perform at Interlochen Arts Fest

Alison Krauss & Union Station bring the unique brand of country/bluegrass music that has reaped them Grammys and critical acclaim to the Interlochen Arts Festival.

For tickets or more information, call the Interlochen Box Office at (616) 276-6230. Tickets may be purchased on a walk-in basis at the Traverse City Visitor Center Box Office.

Alison Krauss & Union Station will perform at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, October 7, in Corson Auditorium. At age 26, Krauss has won six Grammy Awards and four Country Music Association Awards for her brand of bluegrass music.

A fiddler and light soprano vocalist, Krauss is backed by the four-member Union Station, who supply vocals and bass, banjo, mandolin, and acoustic guitar. Though Krauss fronts the band, the

focus is on the music, which wins consistent raves for its understated power. Though this concert is one of Interlochen's hottest tickets, there are still some seats left. "So Wrong So Long" is the newest album of laments of lost love by Alison Krauss & Union Station.

Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$10 for students 18 and under.

Interlochen Center for the Arts is home to Interlochen Arts Academy, America's premier fine arts boarding school; Interlochen Arts Camp, the world's oldest and best-known summer arts program; Interlochen Arts Festival, the year-round presentation of over 750 performances and exhibitions; and Interlochen Public Radio, a national leader in per capita listener support among public radio stations. The center is situated on a 1,200-acre campus 16 miles southwest of Traverse City in northern lower Michigan.

Nature preserve to hold open house on Saturday

The Marguerite Gahagan Nature Preserve in Roscommon will hold an Open House and its first annual meeting on Saturday, October 3, from 1 p.m. until 4 p.m.

Visitors can take a walk on the handicapped-accessible trail and boardwalk that is perfect for bird watching and appreciating nature's seasons.

Presentations by local historian Wendell Hoover will explain the who, why and how of old-time logging and Tracy Bosworth will present a ground water model.

There is a cabin to visit and take in a light snack.

The Marguerite Gahagan Nature Preserve invites anyone interested in becoming a member to attend this

membership meeting.

The preserve is located at the west end of South Line Road, off of M-18, next to the Village Compost Site or at the east end of Maplehurst, off of Wheeler Road.

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THURS 1	•TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) @ Mercy Hospital Riverside Room, 5 pm. For more information call Joanne 348-4416. •MERCY AMICARE HOSPICE SERVICES BEREAVEMENT support groups @ St. Mary's Learning Center, 3 - 5 pm, for more information call Mary Beth Dettling, 1-800-424-1457. •AUSABLE VALLEY SNOWMOBILE ASSOCIATION meeting @ Grayling Holiday Inn, 7 pm. •BEYOND THE GARDEN WALL CLUB meeting @ Michelson Memorial Church, 7 pm. For information call 348-7905. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ Grayling City Hall, 8pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.
FRI 2	•GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon & 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.
SAT 3	•PUMPKIN FEST at Wellington Farm Park from 10:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. every Sat. & Sun. in October. Admission is \$2.00, includes a hayride. Some farm activities are grinding grain, husking corn and feeding the animals. •SPAY & NEUTER CLINIC coming to Grayling, October 3rd only, at Crawford County Fairgrounds. Must pay \$10 deposit, additional donation requested at time of surgery. Call Jill or Shannon at 348-1410 or 348-2201 to register. Limited space.
SUN 4	•GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information. •ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today.
MON 5	•KIWANIS CLUB meeting @ Shoppenagon's Inn, 12 noon. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon & 8 pm @ Frederic Township Hall. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.
TUES 6	•GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 8 pm. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information. •GPA MEETING @ Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon.
WED 7	•ROTARY MEETING @ Patti's Towne House, 12 noon. •WEIGHT WATCHER'S meeting @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, M-72 West; weigh-in, 4:45 pm; meeting, 5:30 pm. For more information call Mary, 348-5306. •GRAYLING ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS MEETING @ St. Mary's Catholic Church, 12 noon. Call John W. 348-1776 or Marsh S. 348-1307 for more information.

OCTOBER 7

LEE NATIONAL DENIM DAY, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9. NORTH CENTRAL IS RAISING FUNDS FOR THE SUSAN G. KOMEN BREAST CANCER FOUNDATION IN THE FIGHT TO ERADICATE BREAST CANCER. WEAR YOUR FAVORITE JEANS TO ANY BRANCH, MAKE A DONATION AND RECEIVE A PINK LAPEL PIN.



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The Bible Speaks

Money or Morality?

"It's the economy, stupid!" Remember that public rebuke a few years ago to those concerned about our national moral problems. Does money really matter more than morals? Jesus Christ said, (Matthew 6:24) "No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon."

Some will remember the public rejection of God in the 60's when liberal theologians declared: "God is dead!" It was only logical for such persons to reject and discredit God's word, the Bible, and prayer also. To those who believe God is dead, the Bible and prayer become stupid.

In a survey of 18 to 34-year-olds, conducted by the Lutheran Brotherhood they were asked, "Are there absolute standards for morals and ethics or does everything depend on the situation?" Their poll indicates that about 82 percent of Americans in that age group believe right and wrong are relative concepts. It is only reasonable to them that moral concerns are irrelevant or stupid when compared to the economy. Is it any wonder only 1% consider a clergyman on their lists of most admired persons? As a result, Church attendance and morality are very low on

their list of family priorities and practices.

Russia labored 70 years building a nation upon dialectical materialism and atheism. They believed, "it's the economy, stupid!" They said, "God is the opiate of the people!" Truth became that which promoted the future of the communist government. Lies became all words in opposition to government. During that same period, the U.S.A. built "one nation under God" with currency which declares, "In God We Trust." Perhaps the contrast between these two super powers can be explained by (Deuteronomy 8:18) "But thou shalt remember the LORD thy God: for it is he that giveth thee power to get wealth, that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day."

Israel allowed money to replace God as described in Micah 3:10,11: "They build up Zion with blood, and Jerusalem with iniquity. {11} The heads thereof judge for reward, and the priests thereof teach for hire, and the prophets thereof divine for money: yet will they lean upon the LORD, and say, Is not the LORD among us? none evil can come upon us." (Jeremiah 5:31) "The prophets prophesy falsely, and the priests bear rule by their means; and my people

love to have it so; and what will ye do in the end thereof?"

Are we reaching the last days in America? (2 Timothy 4:3-4) "For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; {4} And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables." Are we abandoning the love of the truth which can save us? (2 Thessalonians 2:10)

Will a national leader like Joshua of old ever challenge us to return to our spiritual roots? (Joshua 24:15) "And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve...but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD."

"Pastor B"

Please pray for the ministry of this column and our church Websites at [http:// freeway.net/~cba/](http://freeway.net/~cba/) and at <http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/Ranch/1263/>

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Adventist Church to host satellite bible event

The Grayling Seventh-day Adventist Church will host a Global Satellite Bible Event beginning on October 9, at 7 p.m.

The *NeXt Millennium Seminar* will be broadcasted to thousands of locations around the world, translated into 40 languages and closed captioned.

To accomplish this, the translators - most of them ministers - will exchange their own pulpits for five weeks of special duty ministry in a Michigan church basement. Transmitting side by side in specially built cubicles, they'll offer the lectures in such languages as Swahili, Spanish, and Pidgin.

Dr. Dwight K. Nelson, internationally known speaker and author, is the speaker for the *NeXt Millennium Seminar: Finding a Forever Friendship with God*. The 46-year old is the senior pastor of the Pioneer Memorial Church at

Andrews University in Berrien Springs, where the series will originate.

The seminar's theme focuses on what the Bible has to say about God's desire to have personal relationships with 6.2 billion earth dwellers as the new millennium approaches.

"In this generation of unprecedented brokenness," said Nelson, "*NeXt Millennium Seminar's* global quest is for a personal encounter with God and His forever friendship that gives meaning and strength to every relationship in life."

"Studies now show that not only GenXers, but all ages today, are sensing the foreboding of the times," Nelson adds. "In a world of unprecedented change, *NeXt Millennium Seminar* considers current trends in the light of biblical teachings and prophecies, to share a vital strategy for personal peace and security in the coming millennium."

In many areas, young adults interest in the seminar is high. In addition to planning to attend and inviting friends, a few have even sparked rallies to interest peers in taking a second look at their spiritual lives with a view toward new, or renewed, commitment to God.

Dr. Nelson's 15 years of experience as pastor of a campus church has attracted students' attention, and the seminar's one-hour live format and co-hosts in their 20's heighten interest.

A website graphical locator will assist Internet users with the nearest seminar locations in North America and some other areas at <http://www.net98.org>. Volunteer pastors will moderate on-line Bible discussions in chat rooms in English and several other languages following each meeting, and a Bible information service will supplement Bible references on the lecture topics.

The public is invited to attend and will receive a free copy of Dr. Nelson's new book, *Outrageous Grace: Finding a Forever Friendship with God*, on opening night only. Academic credit and Continuing Education units (CEU's) are available for the five-night-a-week, five-week long seminar.

The Grayling Seventh-day Adventist Church is located on the grounds of Camp AuSable, on M-72, just east of the I-75 overpass in Grayling.

For more information or to pre-register, please call (517) 348-4033.

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Worship God each week at your local church or synagogue. Learn how God will help you lay out the plans for growth in your life. No less than the best will do.

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KCC names Director of Performing Arts

Gary L. Carton, Technical Services Manager & Artist Series Coordinator, Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove, Pa., has been appointed as Managing Director of the Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts.

Carton begins work at his new post September 21. He succeeds Ron Koenig, who resigned August 22 to accept the post of Director of Creativity and the Arts at Northwood University in Midland.

Carton earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Theatre from Southwest State University, Marshall, Minnesota in 1971. He received his Master of Arts degree in Theatre in 1974 from the University of Washington, Seattle, Wash.

"We selected Gary from scores of applicants in a nationwide search to fill this important position," said Kirtland President Dorothy Franke, "and I'm convinced we've made an excellent choice. He has experience as an instructor, director, designer

Chipponeri re-appointed to MOGA Board

John G. Chipponeri of UNOCAL, Grayling, was recently re-appointed to the Board of Directors of the Michigan Oil and Gas Association.

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and manager. His background includes managing and technical direction in professional and educational productions for the stage, film and television. He's won several awards for his outstanding work."

Since 1970, Carton's employment experience has included, among others, service in stage production design, technical direction, instruction, production management, marketing, and supervision in several

institutions including the Guthrie Theatre in Minneapolis, Minn.; Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts in Philadelphia, Pa.; Ethnic Theatre Center, Seattle, Wash.; Southwest State University, Marshall, Minn.; Emporia State University, Emporia, Kan.; University of North Dakota, Grand Forks, N.D.; and the CAM-PLEX Multi-Events Facility, Gillette, Wyo. He also served as design assistant

on the Twentieth Century Fox movie *Cinderella Liberty*, and as location technical director for the ABC Television Movie *Mary White*.

He has received many awards including the American College Theatre Award of Excellence for Design and Technical Direction of *Scarecrow* at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. He has also been very active in community organizations.

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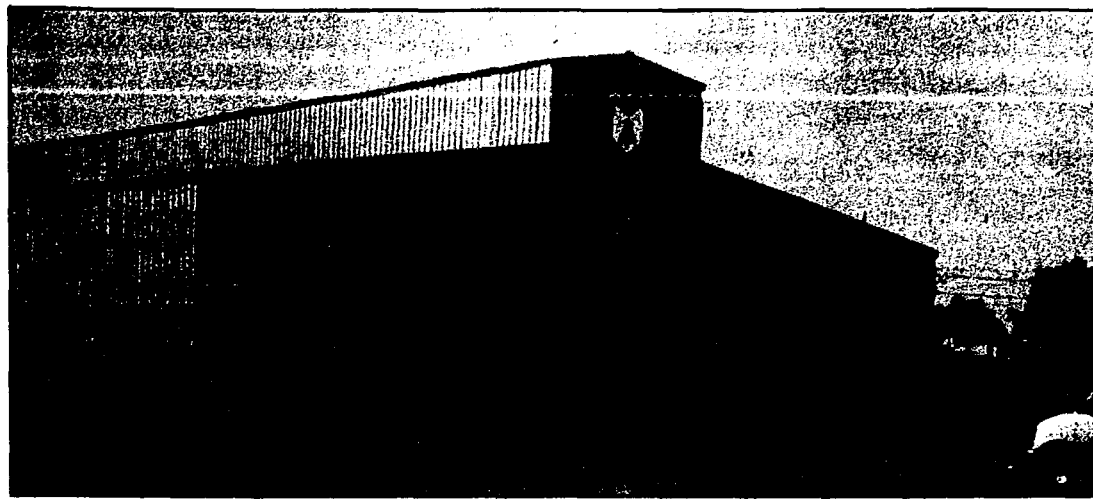


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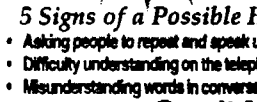
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The Northern Michigan Environmental Action Council's (NMEAC) annual *Environmentalists of the Year* Awards will be held on Friday, October 23, at the Park Place Hotel in Traverse City.

Awards will honor businesses, organizations and individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the protection of northern Michigan's environment in six categories of service: General, Business, Education, Public Service or Public Office, Journalism/Communications and Student.

Nominations for these awards were accepted through September 30 by fax at (616) 947-5734 and by mail.

In addition to the awards ceremony, this year local environmental groups were invited by NMEAC to come and set up tables full of information on their efforts and success-

es of the past year. With so many environmentalists and issues in one building, the NMEAC expects an exciting evening.

If you have been working on an issue you'd like to share with the environmental community, or if you'd like NMEAC to invite a particular group to this event, please call the NMEAC office at (616) 946-6931.

Disaster assistance programs considered for county farmers

Farmers are being asked to contact the Farm Service Agency (FSA) at 240 W. Wright Street, West Branch, MI 48661 concerning information on the production of their 1998 crops.

The information being sought, in particular, is what the drought conditions this summer had on their crops and crop production.

Farm Service Agency County Executive Director, Roger Mott said "We know the drought this summer has had a serious effect on the production of some crops but we need input from the farmers in the area to determine if the problem was serious enough that our agency should submit requests for implementation of the Emergency Loan Program, Noninsured Assistant Program or the Livestock Feed Program. Before we can request implementation of any of these programs we must determine if the county suffered a 30 to 35 percent loss in normal production."

"The more producers that contact the FSA office concerning their 1998 production, the greater the possibility of making an accurate determination of the county's losses," said Mott.



Photo courtesy of Ann Marie Stevens

THE SPICE GIRLS – The American Cancer Society held *Relay for Life*, from noon on September 19 until noon on September 20, at the Otsego County Fairgrounds in Gaylord. The *Grayling Spice Girls*, shown here walking with their banner, raised \$1,300 for the cause. The group included Deanna Williams (team captain), Pat Kennedy, Beverly Dierolf, Barb Loar, Jackie Kuzsak (not shown) and JoAnn Drumb, all of Grayling. Also, Donna Pierson of Whitmore Lake, Ann Marie Stevens of Lincoln Park, and Philippa Robertson of Pinckney. *Relay for Life* raised \$162,000 during the event.

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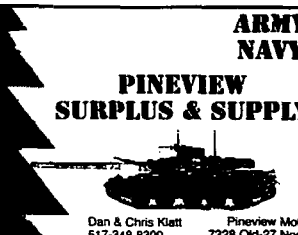


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Free ride to Biederman available to cancer patients

Free transportation services for cancer patients in Crawford and Roscommon counties needing treatment at the Biederman Cancer Treatment Center in Traverse City are now available through a cooperative agreement with Mercy Health Services North and Munson Healthcare.

Munson Medical Center has contracted with Roscommon Mini-Bus System to provide the transportation. This service is available on a daily basis, Monday through Friday, at no cost to patients.

The service's goal is to improve access to radiation therapy services and reduce the burdens of travel for cancer patients. The service began this spring for cancer patients residing in Wexford and Missaukee counties.

This transportation initiative is being promoted jointly by Mercy Health Services North and Munson Medical Center. Munson is assuming all costs associated with the new transportation program.

To arrange for transportation services, call 1-800-922-7150.



FREE RIDE -- Bruce Wales of Roscommon steps off the new bus service of Mercy Health Services North and Munson Healthcare to access services at Munson's Biederman Cancer Treatment Center. Munson has contracted with the Roscommon Mini-Bus System to provide the free transportation service. The service is also available to residents of Crawford County.

Hospice Medical Director promotes comprehensive patient care

John Finn, MD, executive Medical Director of Hospice of Michigan (HOM), will offer two area meetings for medical personnel entitled *Comprehensive End of Life Care* on Friday, October 2.

Dr. Finn will present at a breakfast meeting with physicians at Tolfree Memorial Hospital in West Branch. He will later present at a noon luncheon meeting at Otsego Memorial Hospital in Gaylord.

Dr. Finn will share information to improve patient care for those living with a terminal illness, through effective pain management, earlier access to resources like hospice care, and other ways to better address patient/family concerns surrounding a serious illness.

Hospice of Michigan supports quality end of

life care, and maintains that the focus of the November ballot proposal B on legalizing assisted suicide is misplaced.

Hospice of Michigan representatives state that healthcare in the state, and in the nation, must address instead the broader issue of providing earlier, more comprehensive resources and services to relieve people from the many worries and pain that lead them to think assisted suicide is the answer.

According to national statistics, hospices, designed specifically to care for those living with a terminal illness, actually serve only about 20% of those eligible for these services.

These same statistics reveal that most people who are entitled to six months of hospice care, are served for merely a few weeks or days

because they were not referred to hospice care sooner.

Most insurances cover hospice care, but care is also available for those who have no insurance and are unable to pay for services.

Dr. Finn is a board certified internist, trained in Medical Oncology and Palliative Medicine. He serves on the American Board of Hospice and Palliative Medicine. Dr. Finn is also one of several full-time Hospice of Michigan medical consultants for local HOM medical directors and attending physicians, throughout the state.

Medical personnel interested in attending Dr. Finn's presentation are requested to call the Gaylord Hospice of Michigan office at (517) 732-2151 or 1-800-449-5560.

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St. Germain accepted to Interlochen Arts Academy



Jill St. Germain, 15, of Grayling has been accepted to attend Interlochen Arts Academy, this country's leading high school for fine arts and academics.

St. Germain, the daughter of Gerald St. Germain and Deborah St. Germain, will study dance at the academy.

Established in 1962 as an extension of Interlochen Arts Camp, the academy is an independent, co-educational boarding school for grades 9-12, plus an optional post-graduate year.

Interlochen offers both intensive academic programs and pre-professional fine arts training. Students

may major in creative writing, dance, theatre arts, music, visual arts or academics.

The academy attracts its 430 students from 49 states and 21 other countries. The 1,200-acre campus is located in northern Michigan, 16 miles southwest of Traverse City.

For more information, contact Interlochen's Admissions Office at (616) 276-7472 or write to Interlochen Center for the Arts, P.O. Box 199, Interlochen, MI 49643-0199. Visit their website at www.interlochen.org.

Legg-Baker and Pietrzyk marry

Pamela A. Legg-Baker and Walter R. Pietrzyk, of Warren, were married September 5, 1998 in a ceremony at 2 p.m. at their home in Grayling. Pastor Robert Barnett officiated.

Linda S. Teeple was the Matron of Honor, Guy P. Waggy was the Best Man and the ceremony was attended by family and friends.

Yortys celebrate 50 years



Rollin and Ethel Yorty of Higgins Lake celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a reception given by their children and grandchildren, September 15.

Married on the shores of Higgins Lake in 1948, the Yortys have lived at Higgins Lake since that date. Mrs. Yorty is a native of Gerrish Township.

Mr. Yorty is retired from the Gerrish-Higgins School District after 35 years, having also served in Grayling and Saginaw Township schools. Mr. Yorty was a B-29 bombardier-navigator in the

20th Air Force.

The Yortys have been instrumental in the formation of several churches: Higgins Lake Baptist, Markey Baptist, Frederic Baptist and Prudenville Assembly of God. They are active members of Grace Covenant Fellowship at Higgins Lake.

The couple has four daughters: Bonnie Brandt of Higgins Lake; Heather Gosnick of Suttons Bay; Tami Laizure of Higgins Lake; and Melodie Killion of Higgins Lake. They also have eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

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Steve Thompson, author of *No More Fear*, has been a national figure on the subject of sexual assault, sexual harassment and stalking for several years.

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- **Hostile Hallways:** West Branch High School - 8:45 - 10:30 a.m.; Roscommon High School - 1:00 - 2:45 p.m.

This program is intended to educate high school students on sexual aggression in schools. Topics he will cover include: Sexual assault, harassment, stalking and dating violence.

- **Rape Profiling and Investigation:** Kirtland Community College Auditorium - 3:30 - 5:00 p.m.

This program is intended to educate professionals in human services and law enforcement.

- **Silent Crime - Confident Criminal:** Kirtland Community College Auditorium - 7:00 - 9:30 p.m.

This program will be for general audiences and deal primarily with the awareness and avoidance of sexual assault.

These programs are brought to your community free of charge thanks to a grant from the *Sexual Assault Prevention Program*. Please feel free to contact River House Shelter for further information at (517) 348-3169.

HOMETOWN NEWS

Members of the Order of the Eastern Star will meet at *A Touch*

of *Winter Magic*, October 13 - 15, at the Civic Center in Saginaw.

The Grand Chapters in Michigan will host its 132nd annual session at that time.

Sisters attending from Grayling Chapter #83 are Worthy Matron June Mott, Grand Electa and four delegates.

With 255 chapters attending from the United States and Canada, our local charities throughout the world will benefit from many charity projects.

Eastern Star sisters may enjoy the magic of old and new friendships, with the anticipation of a fun time for all.

SHERIFF'S REPORT

The following incidents were reported:

Two fires, one criminal sexual conduct, two assaults, one burglary, four larcenies, four property damage, ten public peace.

Eight health and safety, one invasion of privacy, three conservation, three miscellaneous crimes, six minors, 16 accidents, four traffic safety PR.

Four false alarms, one fire, one vehicle inspection, two civil/family trouble, seven suspicious situations, two missing persons, 16 general noncriminal.

The Crawford County Sheriff Department responded to 98 incidents during the week of September 21 through 28, 1998.

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SENIOR PERSPECTIVE

Are seniors paying too much for drugs?

Senior citizens in northern Michigan pay more for prescription drugs - on the average 98 percent more and in one case an astounding 1,288 percent more - than "best customer" health insurance plans, Rep. Bart Stupak, D-Menominee, said today.

Stupak spotlighted these pricing discrepancies at news conferences at a senior center in Alpena and a pharmacy in Traverse City, where he unveiled the results of a study completed by the Committee on Government Reform and Oversight of the U.S. House.

Conducted at Stupak's request and the first of its kind in Michigan, the study focused on the pricing of ten brand-name prescription drugs which have highest sales to the elderly. The drugs under scrutiny included those intended to control such conditions as blood pressure, arthritis, ulcers, heart conditions, osteoporosis, depression, and stroke.

Stupak termed as "very

disturbing" the 237 percent price differential for the drug Ticlid, a stroke-controlling drug manufactured by Hoffman-LaRoche. Favored customers would pay \$33.57 for this drug, Stupak said, while a senior citizen in Michigan would pay \$112.99.



"I found the price differential for another drug, a hormone treatment called Synthroid, extremely shocking," Stupak said. "The study found that an equivalent dose of this drug would cost the manufacturer's favored customers only \$1.78, while the average senior in Michigan would pay almost \$25, a 1,288 percent difference!"

Stupak said the study was conducted in response to many letters and phone calls - most of them from seniors - about the high price of prescription drugs. He also noted that the price difference was not the fault of pharmacies. "This is the result of the pricing schedules of the pharmaceutical companies."

Stupak and other legislators will introduce a bill, perhaps as early as this week, to address the drug pricing inequity. This bill would allow senior citizens to pay the same price for their drugs as the largest insurance carriers and the federal government.

"The pharmaceutical industry is one of the most profitable in the world," Stupak said. "While I am not opposed to companies making money, I am opposed to their taking profits on the backs of senior citizens."

Seniors are encouraged to get life-saving shot

Pneumococcal disease is a severe illness that can be life threatening. It kills more people than all the other vaccine preventable diseases combined.

Fortunately, a vaccine is available through the District Health Department No. 10 and other health care providers that helps protect individuals who receive it, usually within 2-3 weeks.

Although anyone can get pneumococcal disease, some people are at greater risk and are considered prime candidates for this particular immunization. The high risk groups include those 65 and older and individuals with special medical conditions such as diabetes, heart or lung disease, certain cancers, HIV infection or AIDS, alcoholism, cirrhosis, kidney failure and several other special health problems.

Pneumococcal disease can lead to serious infec-

tions of the lungs, the blood and the covering of the brain. Because this disease is becoming increasingly resistant to penicillin and thus more difficult to treat, prevention through immunization is becoming more and more important. District Health Department No. 10 will be offering a limited quantity of pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine at health department clinics. The cost of the injection is \$14 and it is billable to

Medicaid and Medicare. It is recommended for those 65 years of age and older as well as for individuals with the special health concerns mentioned previously.

For more information on pneumococcal vaccine, its safety, who should receive it, and to schedule appointments, call the local health department office in Grayling at 348-7800 or your own health care provider.

Halloween party & dance

The first dance of the month for the Crawford County Commission on Aging is Tuesday, October 13th, at 5:30 p.m.



The second dance will be a Halloween party and

dance on the 27th of October. A few days early, however, don't let the witches catch you without a costume on that date or there will be a turmoil of trouble!

There will be prizes galore, so bring your friends and neighbors and dance, at both parties, to the music of Tina Kennedy at the organ and keyboard.

October volunteer of the month

Harvey Rowland is our October volunteer of the month and is a meals-on-wheels driver, transporter and you name it! Just like the post office motto, come you know what, rain, sleet, snow, bitter cold or outrageous heat, the meals must get through!

Harvey and his wife, Beatrice, have lived in Grayling for almost 52 years and moved here from Vassar. He served, during World War II, in the United States Air Force for five years. They have two chil-

dren and two grandchildren. He has been volunteering for 13 years and helps out at the Masons, as well as R.S.V.P.

He loves to play golf and travel for recreation.

Tip your hat the next time you see Harvey, and say, good job...well done!

Out-to-Lunch gang to tour elk farm

The Out-to-Lunch gang will be going to a marvelous little restaurant called the Country Buggy near Merritt. (They have good food and great pie!)

The bus will leave at 11:15 a.m. on Wednesday, October 14, and the cost of the trip is \$2.50, lunch and milk money extra.

We will tour the back country to see an elk farm, and hopefully see some beautiful fall colors, if they are still around. We will also stop at the Moorestown store and browse.

The sign-up sheet will be in the Commission on Aging lobby or call at 348-7123.

Crawford County Commission on Aging

308 Lawndale Dr., Grayling, MI

OCTOBER

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			1. 9:00 - Adult Ed. Class	2. 1:00 - Pantry - Bingo
				4. Sunday Brunch 10-1 Waffles
5. 10:00 - Crafts 12:00 - Stag Cards 1:00 - RSVP Women 1:00 - Bridge Club 5:30 - "Hangman"	6. 10:00 - Exercises 11:00 - Line Dance 1:00 - Euchre Club 5:30 - Trivia	7. "Commodities" 9:30-10:30 At The Eagles 10:00 - Bible Study 12:30 - Stag Club 5:30 - "BK" Bingo	8. "Lucky 7" Casino Trip BP's Taken 11 to Noon 9:00 - Adult Ed. Class	9. 12:00 - Frederic Satellite 1:00 - Pantry - Bingo
12. Share Sign-up - 10 to 2 10:00 - Crafts 12:00 - Stag Cards 1:00 - RSVP Women 1:00 - Bridge Club 5:30 - "Hangman"	13. 10:00 - Exercises 11:00 - Line Dance 1:00 - Euchre Club 5:30 - Dance with Tina	14. Out to Lunch Leave 11:15 10:00 - Bible Study 12:30 - Stag Club 5:00 - Birthdays Celebrated 5:30 - RSVP - White Elephant Auction	15. 9:00 - Adult Ed. Classes Bell Hearing Clinic 1-3	16. 12:00 - Lovells Satellite 1:00 - Pantry Bingo 1:30 - Legal Help
19. 10:00 - Crafts 12:00 - Stag Cards 1:00 - RSVP Women 1:00 - Bridge Club 5:30 - "Hangman"	20. 10:00 - Exercises 11:00 - Line Dance 1:00 - Euchre Club Ping & Pool	21. Foot Clinic By Appointment 10:00 - Bible Study 12:30 - Stag Club 5:30 - COA Board Meeting	22. BP's Taken 11:00 to Noon "Lucky 7" Casino Trip 9:00 - Adult Ed. Class	23. "Share" Pick-up 1:30 - 3:00 at LDS 1:00 Pantry Bingo Craft Show & Bake Sale 10-4 Pottluck ng A Dish
26. 10:00 - Crafts 12:00 - Stag Cards 1:00 - RSVP Women 1:00 - Bridge Club 5:30 - "Hangman"	27. 10:00 - Exercises 11:00 - Line Dance 1:00 - Euchre Club 5:30 - Halloween Dance with Tina	28. 10:00 - Bible Study 12:30 - Stag Cards Ping & Pool	29. 9:00 - Adult Ed. Class	30. 1:00 Pantry Bingo

COA craft show October 24

The Crawford County Commission on Aging third annual craft show will be held on Saturday, October 24, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Crafters can rent a long table for \$10 or a round table for \$5. Call 348-7123 or 1-888-355-4500 for more information.

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PEACE OFFERING – Local Historian Wendell Hoover, dressed in traditional Native American garb, discusses the use of a what we call a "peace pipe" during the early fur trading days in northern Michigan. Appearing at the Crawford County Library, Hoover spoke to visitors on Wednesday evening, September 23, taking them on an imaginary fur trading expedition, and telling them about the "Metis" Indian half-breeds and their historical importance to the fur trade. On display were tools, trade items, samples of clothing, various artifacts, and animal pelts.

Did you know?

Welhelm Roentgen discovered x-rays in 1895. He called them x-rays because he didn't know what they were. X is the scientific symbol for unknown.

CRAWFORD COUNTY LIBRARY NEWS

by Tracie Compton

October 1 is the first year anniversary of the Crawford County Library being automated and going on-line.

Automation is a fancy way of saying the computers do it. On-line means your computers are up and running and you are using them.

The computers used for automation are connected to each other on a LAN. The server to the LAN houses the card catalog on a data base which allows searching by author, title, subject, key word or browse.

A click of the mouse or using the tab button and enter key will bring up information about books, videos, audios and Michigan Documents. If there is a red dot next to the item you want, we can reserve it for you on the computer. If the dot is green, it should be on the shelf.

If you would rather not use the computer to search the card catalog, ask the staff.

You can now call 348-9214 and renew items or place reservations. The computer allows us to keep bet-

ter track of overdue, fines owed and statistics.

But first, you need to have a current library card with a bar code on the back and your information entered into the computer.

We are currently cleaning up the card catalog data base on the computer to remove records of items that are no longer owned by the Library.

For more information, call 348-9214.

The Crawford County Library is open Monday-Thursday 10 a.m.-7 p.m., Friday 10 a.m.-6 p.m. and Saturday 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Phone is 348-9214.

The Lovells Township Library is open Tuesday 10 a.m.-12 noon, Wednesday 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Thursday 10 a.m.-12 noon, and Saturday 12 noon-3 p.m. Phone is 348-9215.

The Frederic Community Library is open Monday-Tuesday 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Wednesday-Thursday 1 p.m.-6 p.m. Phone is 348-4067.

LOVELLS LIBRARY NEWS

Memorials given to the Lovells Library for Marie Duby: *The Bird House* by Cynthia Rylant and *Arthur's Lost and Found* by Marc Brown, given by Benjamin Duby. For Marvel Armstrong: *The Christmas Story*, given by Benjamin Duby. For Kenneth Minard: *Nightmares and Dreamscapes* by Stephen King, given by The Minard Family.

New books in the library are: *Blind Bloodhound Justice* by Virginia Lanier; *The Ballad of Frankie Silver* by Sharyn McCrumb; *Coast Road* by Barbara Delinsky; *Finders Keepers* by Fern Michaels; *First Eagle* by Tony Hillerman; *Moon Music* by Faye Kellerman; *Murder at the Watergate* by Margaret Truman; *Point of Origin* by Patricia Cornwell; *Rainbow Six* by Tom Clancy; *The Face Changers* by Thomas Perry.

Also, *Good Housekeeping One-Dish Meals*; *A Breach of Promise* by Anne Perry; *Flash* by Jayne Ann

Krentz; *Body Language* by James Hall; *The Loop* by Nicholas Evans; *Field of Thirteen* by Dick Francis; *Jade Island* by Elizabeth Lowell; *No Safe Place* by Richard North Patterson; *Tell Me Your Dreams*.

Memorials may be purchased for the minimum of \$10 each. Suggested subject areas are welcome. If specific titles are desired, we ask that you pay the purchase price.

An acknowledgment will be sent to the family of the deceased that a book has been purchased. A memorial plate will be placed in the book. A card will be added to the memorial drawer. Book title and name of contributor will appear in the library news of the *Crawford County Avalanche*.

Lovells Library hours are: Tuesday 10 a.m. to noon; Wednesday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Thursday 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Saturday noon to 3 p.m. Phone number is 348-9215.

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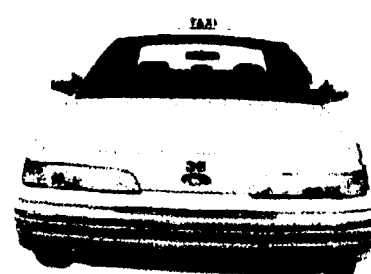
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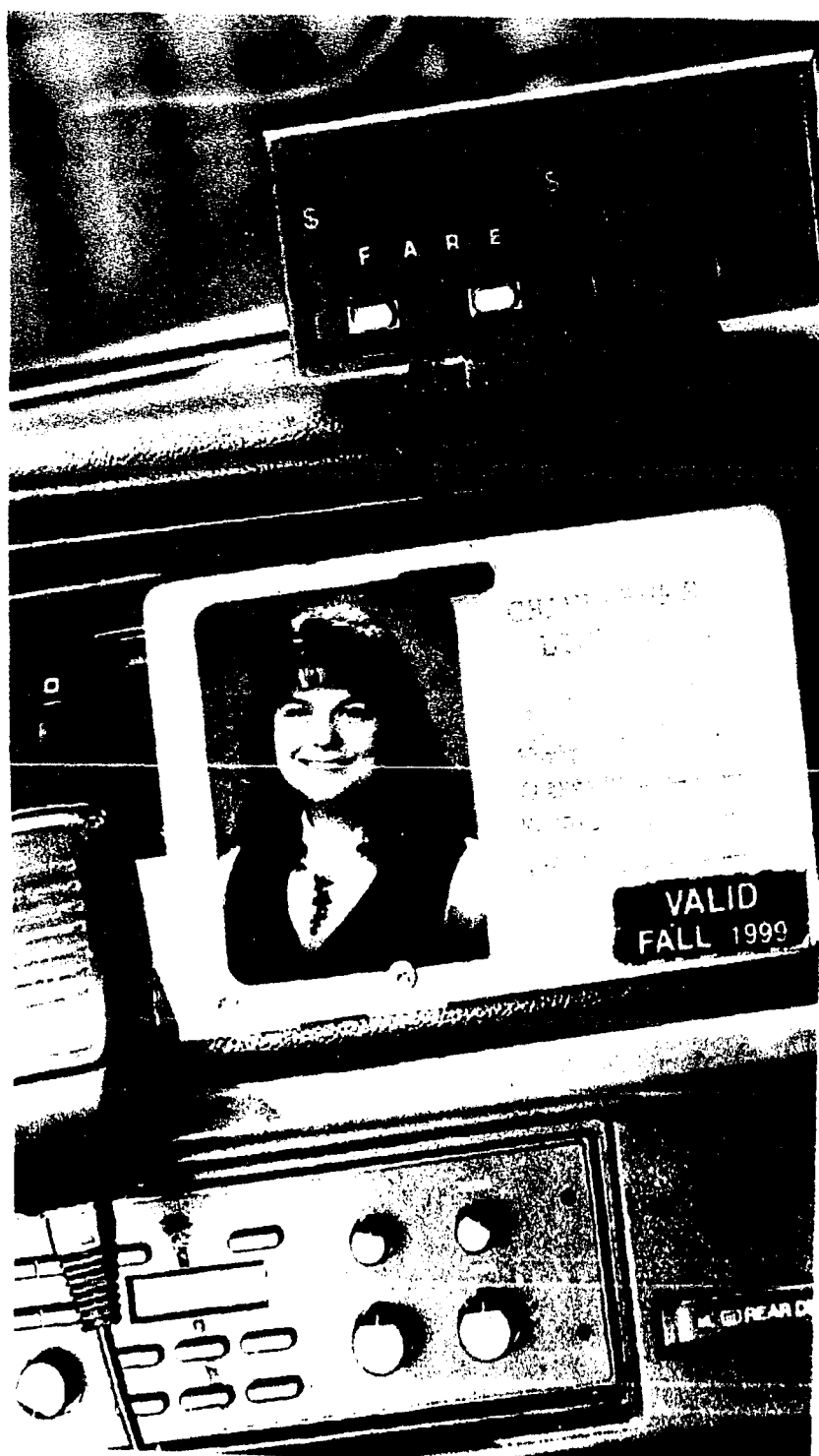
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OBITUARIES

Gerald Lee (Jerry) Adams

Gerald Lee (Jerry) Adams, 53, of Lead Hill, Ark., passed away September 21, 1998, at the Northern Arkansas Medical Facility in Harrison, Ark.

He was born in Garden City on March 21, 1945, the son of Gerald E. and Lucille (Joseph) Adams.

He graduated from Plymouth High School, and was a Vietnam War veteran. He was employed as a welder in Plymouth.

He is survived by his wife, Tyranni (Landry) Adams; his mother Lucille Adams of Grayling; daughter Onalee Adams of Middletown, Ohio; sons, Daniel Adams of Colorado and Duane Adams of Germany; step-son, Jason Schlotter, Texas; sisters, Darlene Brantley of Lovells and Berva Jean Graham of Big Lake, Minn.; and grandson, Eric Scoggins of Middletown, Ohio.

He was preceded in death by his father, Gerald E. Adams and a baby sister Geraldine Zoan Adams.

Funeral services were held on September 27, 1998, at the Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel with Rev. D. Dean Coursey officiating. Burial was in Cold Springs Township Cemetery in Kalkaska County.

Arrangements were made by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel in Grayling.



Bruce Allen Johnson

Bruce Allen Johnson, age 48, of Grayling passed away Monday, September 21, 1998, in Riverside Hospice, Minneapolis, Minn., following an extended illness.

Bruce was born October 6, 1949, in Beloit, Kansas, and moved to Bloomfield Hills, Mich., at an early age. He was a graduate of Pontiac Central High School and attended Oakland University. He was an over the road truck driver for Coca-Cola and City Wine Companies in both Michigan and Florida.

Bruce's poor health lead to an early retirement; then, moving to Grayling, has resided in the area for the past 11 years.

Mr. Johnson was an avid sports fan, and playing cards and board games were his favorite pastime. He was a member of Grayling Eagles Aerie 3465, Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Detroit and active in the support teams for the Kidney, Heart and Diabetic Organizations. Bruce loved life, a good joke and had a great compassion for his fellow man.

He is survived by his parents Howard and Ellora Johnson, three sisters: Dona Johnson of Algonquin, Ill., Estelle and Steve Rumsey of Mequon, Wis., and Denise and Gregg Deacon of Iowa City, Iowa. He was uncle to Nolan and Sabrina Rumsey, Kelsey and Mallory Deacon.

Memorial services will be held 11 a.m. Saturday, October 10, 1998, at the Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling, with Pastor Robert Faber officiating. Interment of ashes will be in Northrup Hill Cemetery, Stueben County, New York, at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be directed, specifically for research, to The American Diabetes Association, 30600 Telegraph Rd. Suite 2255, Bingham Farms, MI 48025-4532.

Laura Ellen Morse-Stiller

Laura Ellen Morse-Stiller, 80, of Silver City, passed away September 28, 1998, at Ft. Bayard Medical Center.

She was born May 29, 1918, in Flint, the daughter of Paron S. and Lela Coil Chase. She married Howard Morse on October 23, 1940, who preceded her in death in 1973. She later married August W. Stiller.

She was reared and attended schools in Flint, where she graduated Valedictorian of her senior class. She attended Hurley School of Nursing where she received a degree in nursing. She worked at Mercy Hospital in Grayling for approximately 20 years in the maternity ward, helping deliver many of Grayling's current residents. She moved to Florida in 1973 where she worked at Citrus Memorial Hospital in Inverness. She retired from Citrus Memorial in 1980. Due to her failing health, she went to live with her daughter Gloria in Tucson, Ariz., in the winters and in Silver City, N.M. in the summer.

She is survived by five children: William and Cheri Morse of St. Helen; Stanley and Patricia Morse of Niles; Frank and Gloria Morse of Port Charlotte, Fla.; Gloria and Homer King of Silver City; and Barbara and Bob Hufford of Lebanon, Mo.; ten grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Memorial services will be conducted at 2 p.m. Saturday, November 7, 1998, in Inverness, Fla. where, at her request, her remains will be placed with her parents in Fountain Memorial Gardens.

Bright Funeral Home in Silver City, N.M., is in charge of arrangements.



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DISTRICT HEALTH DEPARTMENT No. 10

by Linda DeMarchis, Health Educator

Diabetics and others should receive flu shots

Flu season will be starting soon (November) and District Health Department No. 10, along with Centers For Disease Control are joining together to strongly urge all diabetics to begin scheduling appointments for an annual flu shot.

Influenza or flu is a respiratory illness characterized by the sudden onset of fever, muscle soreness, sore throat and a non-productive cough. It can cause severe malaise lasting several days or longer.

It is estimated that 80% of deaths from the flu could be prevented with a flu shot. To be protected, flu shots are needed annually, since the flu strains vary from year to year.

Although flu shots are for anyone who wants to reduce the risk of catching the flu, for diabetics, flu shots are an essential practice that can protect not only their health but their lives.

Diabetes makes the immune system more vulnerable to severe cases

of flu and pneumonia which can even result in death. In fact, people with diabetes are three times more likely to die with either the flu or pneumonia than those without diabetes.

During flu epidemics, death rates among diabetics increase by 5 to 15%.

If the person is not only diabetic, but over 65 with other problems like cardiovascular disease, the risk of death is even higher. In a recent year, 30,000 diabetics died of flu or pneumonia complications. Yet in spite of these grim facts, only 40% of adults with diabetes were immunized against the flu in past years and even less against pneumococcal disease which causes the leading form of pneumonia.

Flu vaccines are very safe and cannot give a recipient the flu since

they contain no live viruses. If an individual is allergic to eggs, he or she should check with a doctor.

The health department in Grayling has already begun scheduling annual flu clinics. The cost of a flu shot is \$9 and the pneumococcal vaccine, available in limited quantities, costs \$14. Both injections are covered by Medicaid and Medicare.

Diabetics, along with other high risk individuals, should schedule an appointment soon to get a flu shot at the health department or at their local physician's office. Get a flu shot instead of the flu. Call 348-7800 for an appointment.

1998 Flu Clinics have been scheduled at the Grayling Health Department on October 2, 9 and 16.

Branch named manager of Norwest Financial office

Matt Branch has been named Branch Manager of the Norwest Financial office located in Palatine, Illinois.

Branch joined Norwest Financial in 1996 as a Credit Manager at the firm's office in Wausau, Wisconsin. He was named Assistant Manager of the Onalaska, Wisconsin, office in 1997.

A native of Grayling, he is a graduate of Northern Michigan University. Branch now resides in Palatine.

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CRAWFORD COUNTY SPORTS

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Section B - Crawford County Avalanche

Thursday, October 1, 1998

Archery deer season starts October 1

Archery deer season is here again, beginning this Thursday, October 1. Here are a few reminders, rule changes and regulations for this season's bow hunting, according to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Wildlife Division:

- **Transportation of bow and arrow** -- When a hunter is in the field outside of legal hunting hours all arrows must be in a quiver.

- In the interval of September 15, 1998 to March 31, 1999 licensed archery hunters may transport a bow in their vehicle. The bow must be stored in the vehicle's trunk or enclosed securely in a case. The bow can be transported in the passenger compartment, but only if it is unstrung or in a case.

- You must have your license with you when you carry or transport a bow and arrow where there are wild birds or animals, unless you are traveling to a target, trap or skeet range.

- **Archery and firearms** -- While you are afield hunting deer with a bow and arrow under authority of an archery deer license you cannot carry any type of firearm.

- **Tree stands and raised platforms** -- Archery hunters may hunt from a tree stand or raised platform. If using either on public land the platform must be portable.

- Screw-in tree steps are illegal on public lands. Nails and screws cannot be used when installing hunting platforms.

- Also, the tree's cambium (thin layer of living cells just beneath the bark) cannot be penetrated when attaching the platform.

- The portable tree stands must have the hunter's name affixed on it, written in legible English that is easily read from below.

- Regardless of who placed it, it is unlawful to use an illegal tree stand.

- Permanent raised platforms may be used on private land with the permission of the landowner.

- **Feeding and baiting restrictions** -- In the area of the northern lower peninsula north of M-55 and east of I-75 baiting and feeding restrictions are in effect to combat the bovine TB problem.

- However, limited amounts of bait may currently be placed for the purpose of hunting deer.

- No more than five gallons of bait

may be placed at any one hunting location. Hunters are encouraged to scatter the bait rather than pile it in order to reduce nose-to-nose contact by animals using the bait.

Bait must be placed on the ground. Minerals and salt are illegal for baiting purposes.

Mechanical or electronic feeders are legal as long as they scatter the feed on the ground and do not exceed the five gallon per location limit.

Bait that adheres to the guidelines may be placed until the last day of deer hunting, which is January 3, 1999, in this area.

- **License information** -- An Archery Deer License entitles residents and nonresidents 12 years of age and older to take one antlered or antlerless deer during the October 1-November 14 or December 1-January 3 open bow and arrow deer season, except in the Experimental Deer Management Units, which include portions of Crawford, Roscommon, Grand Traverse, Wexford and Lake counties.

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UNPROCESSED VENISON -- About one million hunters will head out into the Michigan woods in search of sport, recreation and meat this hunting season.

Grayling High School Cross Country making progress

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Grayling High School Cross Country Team opened its season at home on Wednesday, September 9, with a meet against Charlevoix.

The Grayling boys lost 22-34.

Charlevoix's girls beat the Viking girls by a 42-17 margin.

On Tuesday, September 15, the Vikings traveled to Saginaw Valley Lutheran for a "Jamboree" meet.

The Grayling boys finished sixth

out of nine teams. The girls were unable to field a full team, and were only able to post individual scores.

Coach Ron Rakoczy said that two of his girls are currently dual-sport athletes, playing both basket-

ball and cross country. He said that conflicts sometimes result in the girls being short of the required cross country meet minimum, which is five.

The Cross Country Team hosted Lake City on Thursday, September 17, and the boys came out victorious by a score of 36-22.

The girls were again unable to field a full team.

The Grayling boys racked up another win on Monday, September 21, in a home meet against Roscommon. The final tally was 34-12.

The girls had a couple good results with Brooke Ginther taking first overall and Katie Olson taking third.

"The team is really fun to work with," said Coach Ron Rakoczy.

"I'm quite pleased with their performance so far."

"Our program is only four years old, and some of the schools we compete against have been in cross country for 20 years," said Coach Rakoczy. "I'm pretty excited about the progress we've made."

GHS Cross Country will host the "Grayling Invitational" meet on Tuesday, October 6.

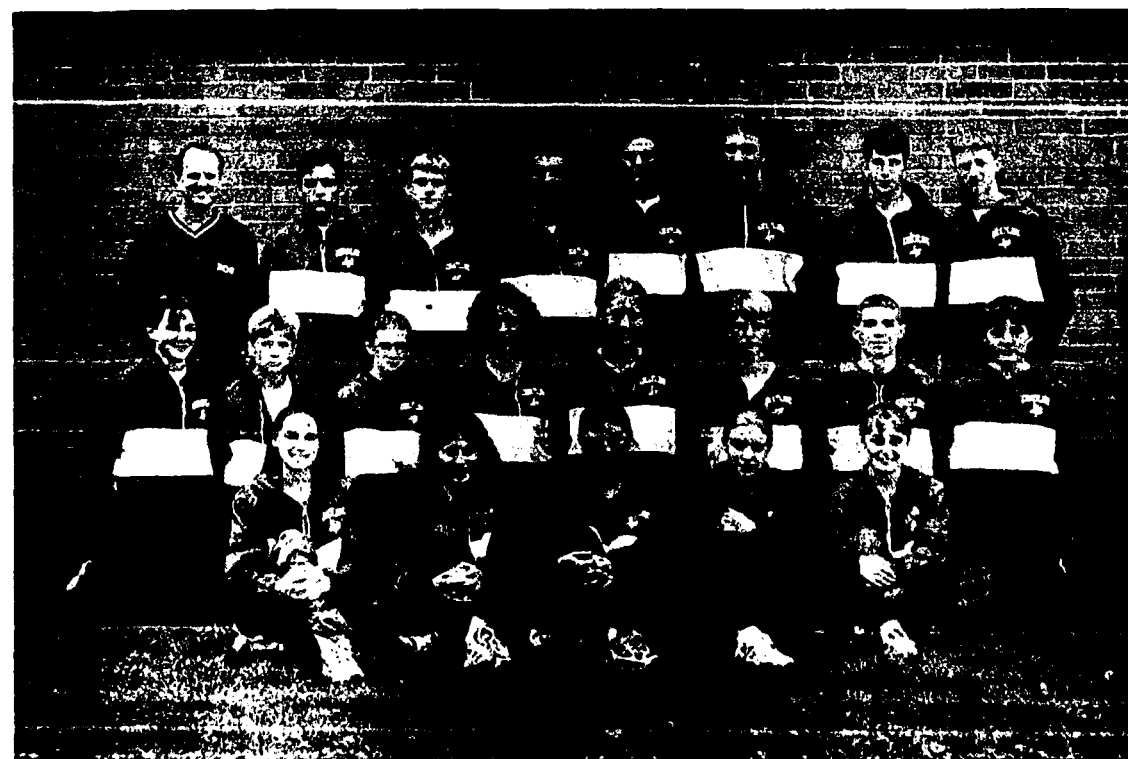


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1998 CROSS COUNTRY TEAM -- (front row, left to right) Mary Dobry, Elizabeth Hellebuyck, Carrie Hellebuyck, Amy Doherty, Kathy Wyman. (middle row, left to right) John McNamara, Barry McClanahan, Forrest Thompson, Katie Olson, Brooke Ginther, Scott Latuszek, Paul Jansen, Dan Corwin. (back row, left to right) Coach Ron Rakoczy, Marc Kiefer, Tim Ormsbee, Jason Boreo, Jared Medler, Armand Lawrence, Brett Black, Joe Pilon.



AND THEY'RE OFF -- The Grayling High School Cross Country Team squares off against Charlevoix at home, with the runners heading for the trails at Hanson Hills.



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JV Football suffers first loss of season

by Dave Golinick
Student Writer

The JV Football team suffered its first defeat last week at the hands of the Bay City John Glenn Bobcats to the tune of 28-6.

The Vikings now have three wins and one loss and are 1-1 in the conference.

In the first half the Vikings played unemotionally against a tough Bobcat defense, which led to little yardage and no first downs in the first quarter.

The Vikings were out-hit and out-played in every aspect, as John Glenn marched down the field with long and grinding drives every time their offense touched the ball.

The Grayling defense played hard, but was decimated at the line of scrimmage by the Bobcats. The score at the half was 22-0 in favor of the Bobcats.

After an embarrassing first half for Grayling, the Vikings came out in the second half ready to earn a little respect from John Glenn.

The Grayling offense stopped making mistakes and eventually started to move the football with quick pass plays that attacked the weak Bobcat secondary.

The Vikings finally got on the scoreboard on a 20-yard pass from Ryan Mahaffy to Levi Burkett, who broke three tackles on his way to the endzone.

The Vikings had been given a disheartening blow, but will look to regain their composure this week

against the Ogemaw Heights Falcons at Ogemaw. The Vikings lost last year's con-

test to the Falcons by a small margin and will be out for revenge on Thursday night.

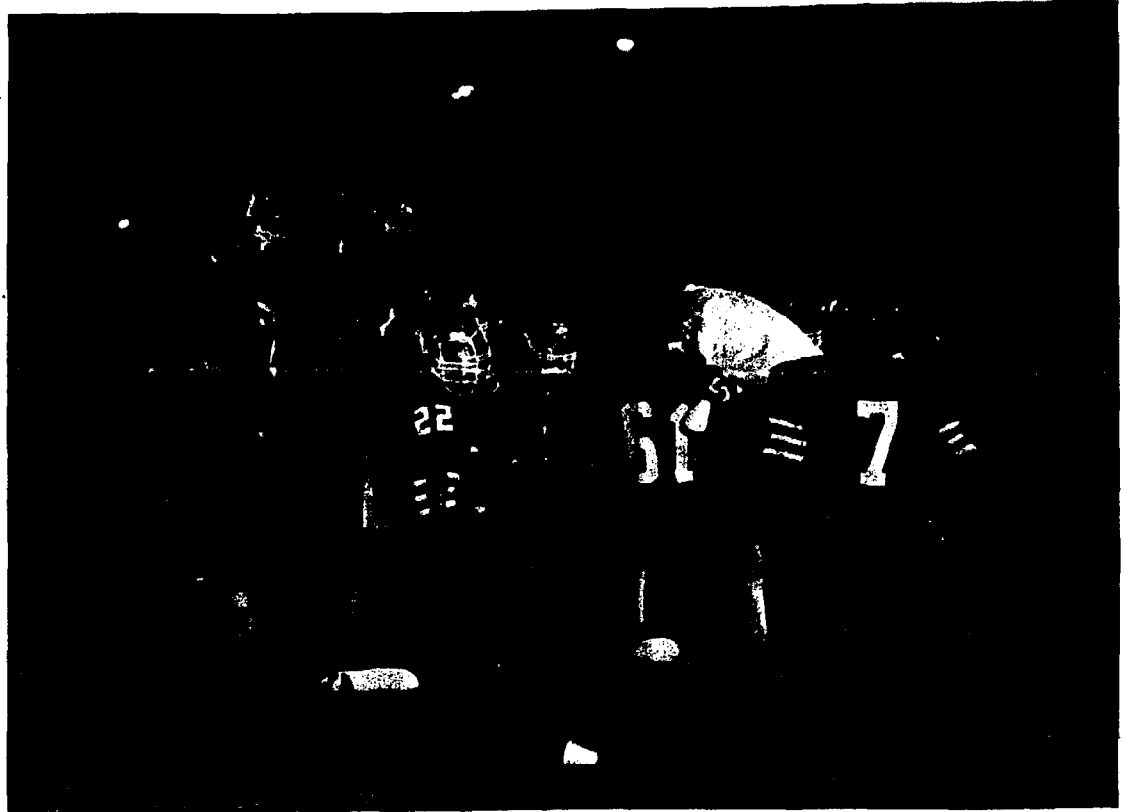


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TALK IT OVER -- The JV Vikings take a breather and huddle up with the coach for some guidance.

GHS Freshmen Football struggles against Bay City

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Grayling High School Freshmen Football Team faced off against a solid Bay City John Glenn team on Thursday, September 24 at home.

Bay City won the game 34-12. "John Glenn was a really good team. They didn't make any mistakes and executed real well," said Coach Mike Neff. "We played with zero emotion. When you have that kind of combination (zero emotion versus a good team) you're not

going to win many games."

"Next week we will come out playing much harder," added Neff.

"Our tackling was horrible Thursday night," said Coach Joe Ferrigan. "It's frustrating as a coach that you work on things all week, and then when it's game day your players don't show up."

Grayling managed to score two touchdowns in the game: one on a 7-yard run from inside the red zone and one on a 40 yard pass play.

The Freshmen Football Team will regroup this week with a road match-up in West Branch on Thursday, October 1.

Varsity Football loses to Bay City John Glenn

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Varsity Viking Football Team traveled to Bay City on Friday, September 25, to play John Glenn. Bay City came out on top 42-13.

"We played an excellent first half of football," said Coach Rodney Patterson. "We did not have the ball enough the second half. We did not play physical to beat a quality team like John Glenn."

Quarterback Nate Beckwith was six for 16 passing for a total

of 114 yards. He had one touchdown and three interceptions.

Brad Ritter led the receiving with 70 yards on two catches.

Travis Beckett and Shane Colby led the Vikings in tackling.

Pete Mead earned the "Big Stick" award. Jeremy Latuszek was named "Offensive MVP" for the game, and Ray Trudgeon was the "Defensive MVP."

This week the Vikings take on West Branch Ogemaw Heights at home. Game time is 7:30 p.m. on Friday, October 2, at Viking Stadium.

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Mandy continued her strong defensive play helping her team hold an explosive Bay City team to only 42 points in the Grayling victory.

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Viking of the Week



Varsity Football
Coach: Rodney Patterson
JEREMY LATUSZEK

"Jeremy played well on both sides of the ball. He has really started to play physical this year," said Coach Patterson. "He is an excellent student athlete."

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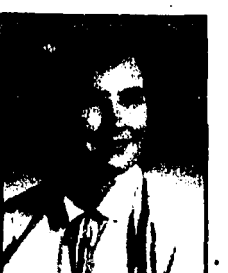
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Grayling Soccer wins two, ties one

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Grayling High School Boys Soccer Team played three games last week, and came out with two wins and a tie.

The team's first game of the week was played on Monday, September 21, in West Branch against Ogemaw Heights. Grayling won 2-1.

Kyle Langseth scored the first GHS goal on a break away, which was set up by an Eric Thompson pass. Jon Haskel scored the other Grayling goal off of a throw-in by Langseth.

Mike Ostwald recorded nine saves for the Vikings at goalkeeper.

"This was not a very good game for us -- we had a hard time adjusting to the field, which was hard and bumpy," said Coach Karen Langseth.

GHS tied with Cheboygan on Wednesday, September 23, 1-1.

"This was a good game," said Coach Langseth. "Both teams played aggressively."

Grayling's lone goal came near the end of the first half when Kyle Langseth put a pass from teammate Mike Pappas into the top of

the goal.

Both teams recorded 17 shots in the game. Ostwald had 15 saves as the Grayling goalkeeper.

Grayling played its second home game in a row on Thursday, September 24, this time against Mackinaw Island.

It was a lop-sided game, with Grayling coming out on top 10-0.

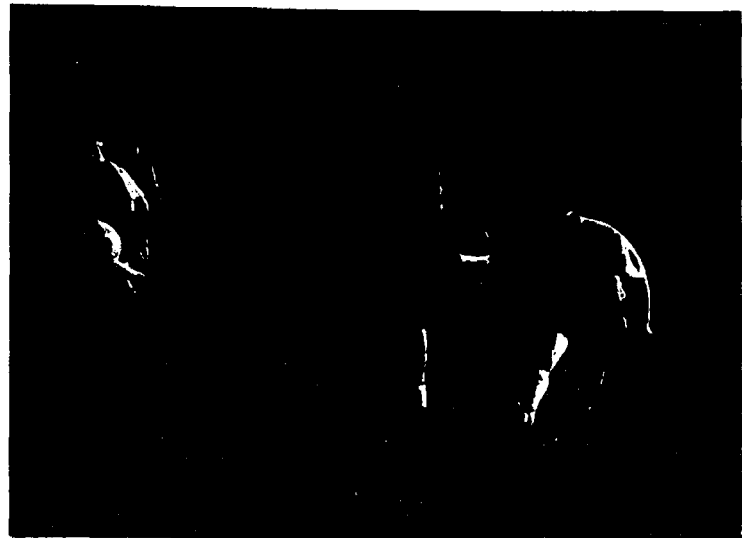
Kyle Langseth led the scoring assault with five goals and two assists. Mike Pappas put in two goals. Colin Hunter had one goal on a penalty kick, and Brian McCurdy scored one on a corner kick by Langseth. Defender

Jeremy Millikin scored one goal as well.

Jeremy Jones racked up four assists in the game. Justin Fenn and Mike Ostwald also had assists. Dave Hawkins had three saves in goal for the Vikings.

"Justin Fenn, Ryan Mirate, Renat Ahmetov, Daniel Naudi and Max Kotlik all had great games," said Coach Langseth. "Because we were doing so well players were able to play in different positions than they normally would."

The GHS Soccer Team plays in Standish on Thursday and travels to Tawas next Monday.



CHIP PASS -- Jon Haskel hoists the ball toward the middle of the field as an opponent gives chase.



LOOSE BALL -- Grayling goes after the ball at the same time as a defender from the other team.

Varsity basketball beats Bay City, loses to Standish in overtime

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Grayling High School Varsity Girls Basketball Team won a decisive victory at home against Bay City John Glenn on Tuesday, September 22, by a 62-42 margin.

"Mary Dobry again came out with the hot hand on offense, hitting five three-point shots," said Coach Chris Dunckley.

Mary Dobry scored 20 points for the Vikings. Andrea Elmy and Carrie Cadeau each added eight.

"Mandy Trudgeon's overall defensive skills helped hold Bay City to only 42 points," said Dunckley. "Bay City is a very

good ball club. We just came out and put the game out of reach by halftime."

Grayling's second game of the week resulted in a 47-51 overtime loss to Standish.

The Thursday night contest was held in Standish.

"After getting out to a slow start our girls fought hard to put the game into overtime," said Coach Dunckley. "This was a game which could have buried our confidence. Instead, it did the opposite. Our girls know now that they can play well."

"Standish has not lost a conference game in over three years,"

continued Dunckley. "They are a very good team and it's very nice to know that we can play with them."

The girls play at Roscommon on Thursday, October 1, at 6 p.m.



**BASEBALL TRAVEL TEAM
LOOKING FOR PLAYERS...
SEE PAGE 5B**

GHS Golf downed in three meets

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Grayling High School Golf Team hosted Oscoda on Tuesday, September 15, and lost by 20 strokes, 194-174.

"(This was) not a normal score for us at home," said Coach Herb Olson.

Matt Mitchell came in second with a 42. Max Schreiner shot a 49, Nate Everson had a 50 and Kyle Roman scored a 53 for the Vikings.

"(We had) good JV scores from Marcus Bobenmoyer with a 48 and Marcus Marelich with a 48," said Olson.

The JV squad tied Oscoda with an overall score of 200.

On Thursday, September 17 the GHS Golf Team traveled to Bay City to face Bay City John Glenn.

Grayling lost by a score of 183-171.

Mitchell's score of 39 was good enough to earn him another second place medal. The first place finisher from Oscoda shot a 38.

Brad Gorski, Bobenmoyer and Marelich each shot a 48 for Grayling, and Schreiner scored a 49.

"(This was a) decent 'new course' score, we had never played there before," said Coach Olson.

"We had a great JV score from Chet Wheeler at 47," he added.

Grayling hosted Standish Sterling on Tuesday, September

22. Standish edged the Vikings by a score of 182-185.

Wheeler topped the Viking scorers at 43, which earned him a second place finish. He was followed by Mitchell at 44, Schreiner at 49 and Bobenmoyer at 49.

"It was Chet's best performance to date," said Coach Olson. "We had good consistency with seven scores under 50. Mitchell's third

keeps him in contention for all conference honors."

"We had good JV scores from Jason Potter at 42, Bob Collins with 48, Marcus Marelich at 49 and Nate Everson 50," added Olson.

The JV team ended up winning by a score of 194-199.

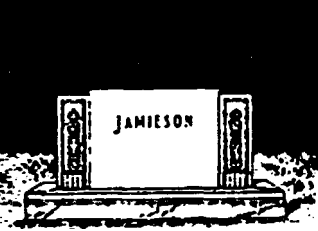
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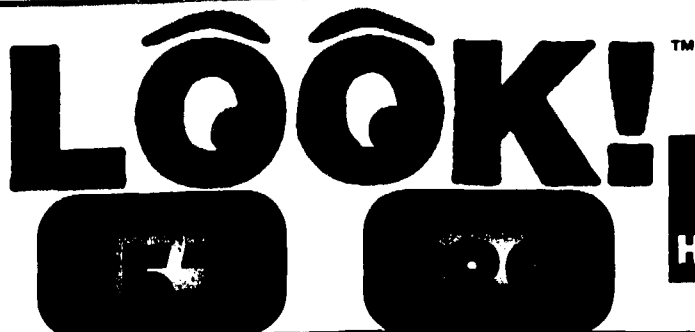
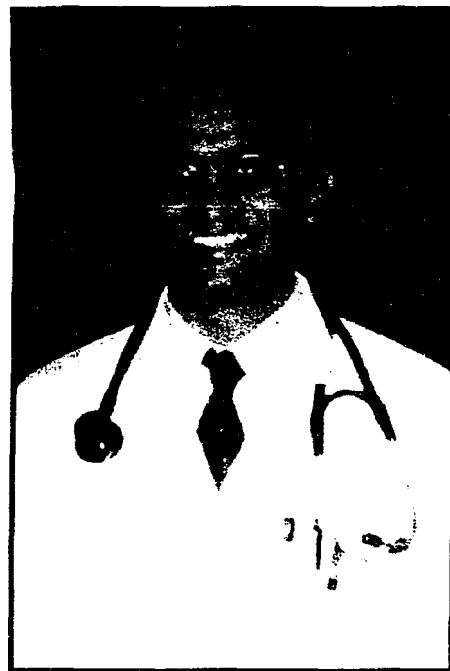
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'Freshmen 2' Redskins lose first of the season

by Caleb Casey
 Staff Writer

The Redskins "Freshmen 2" team took on Standish at home on Saturday, September 26, and suffered its first loss of the year by a 13-26 score.

"The Redskins played their hearts out against a bigger Standish team," said Coach Rick Schmidt.

In the rushing department Ryan Schmidt carried the ball 16 times for 156 yards and one touchdown. Gibson Tobin added 63 yards on 10 carries. Jess Bobenmoyer scored the other Grayling touchdown on a one-yard run.

On the defensive side Matt Swope led in tackles with eight. Brett Stoddard and Robert Starks each had a fumble recovery in the game.

"Coach Swope committed on how the whole team gave 100 percent the whole game," said Schmidt, "and Coach Dean liked the strong special team play of Trisha Petersen, Chris Curtis, Mitchell Salyers, Jeremy Caverly

and Joe Roby."

The Redskins take on Ogemaw 2 at Pinconning this weekend.



Gladwin edges Redskins 'Freshmen 1' by one point

by Caleb Casey
 Staff Writer

The AuSable Football League "Freshmen 1" team lost a close one to Gladwin on Saturday, September 26 by a score of 13-12.

"Both teams played a strong defensive game, with one point after being the difference," said Coach Nash.

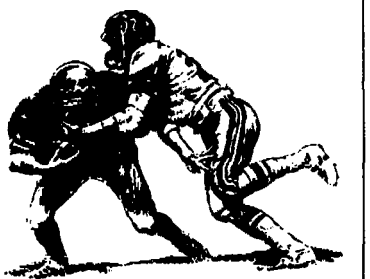
"(It was a) very exciting game, too bad someone had to lose," said Coach Mahaffey.

Chad Peterson had a solid day rushing with 133 yards and two touchdowns.

Peterson also led the defense in tackling with seven. Travis Brush had six tackles, and Jon Nash added five.

The Redskins recovered five Gladwin fumbles. Peterson, Nash, James Dubois, Eric Jurkovich and Russell Peters each picked up a loose ball for Grayling.

The "Freshmen 1" team plays Standish this weekend in Pinconning.



JV Redskins shut out Gaylord Maize

by Caleb Casey
 Staff Writer

The JV Redskins beat the visiting Gaylord Maize team on Sunday, September 27, by a score of 27-0.

Lucas Southard led the offensive attack with 122 yards rushing and two touchdowns.

Travis Gildner had a big day defensively with two interceptions and a fumble recovery, which he ran back 50 yards for a touchdown.

Gildner scored another TD on offense with a 69-yard reception play.

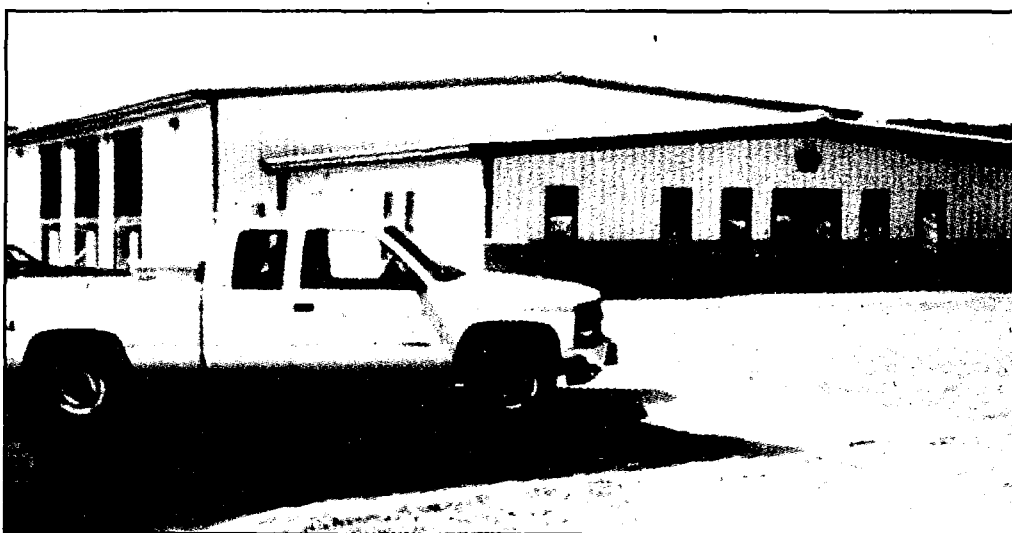
"The first half was a defensive battle. Neither team scored, but it was a good, hard-hitting football game," said Coach Russ Strohpaal.

"In the second half the Redskins offense came to life with the hard-hitting line made up of Arron Rosecrans, Chris Riggs, Sean Kelly, Mike Salyers, Dustin

Partello, Travis Gildner holding off the defense so that QB Zack Guardado could get things moving forward," said Coach Strohpaal.

"Travis Gildner, Lucas Southard, Roy Czapek, Sean Kelly and Don Starks had exceptionally good games," said Strohpaal. "The whole JV Redskins coaching staff was very pleased with the entire team effort."

The JV Redskins team plays at Standish this weekend.



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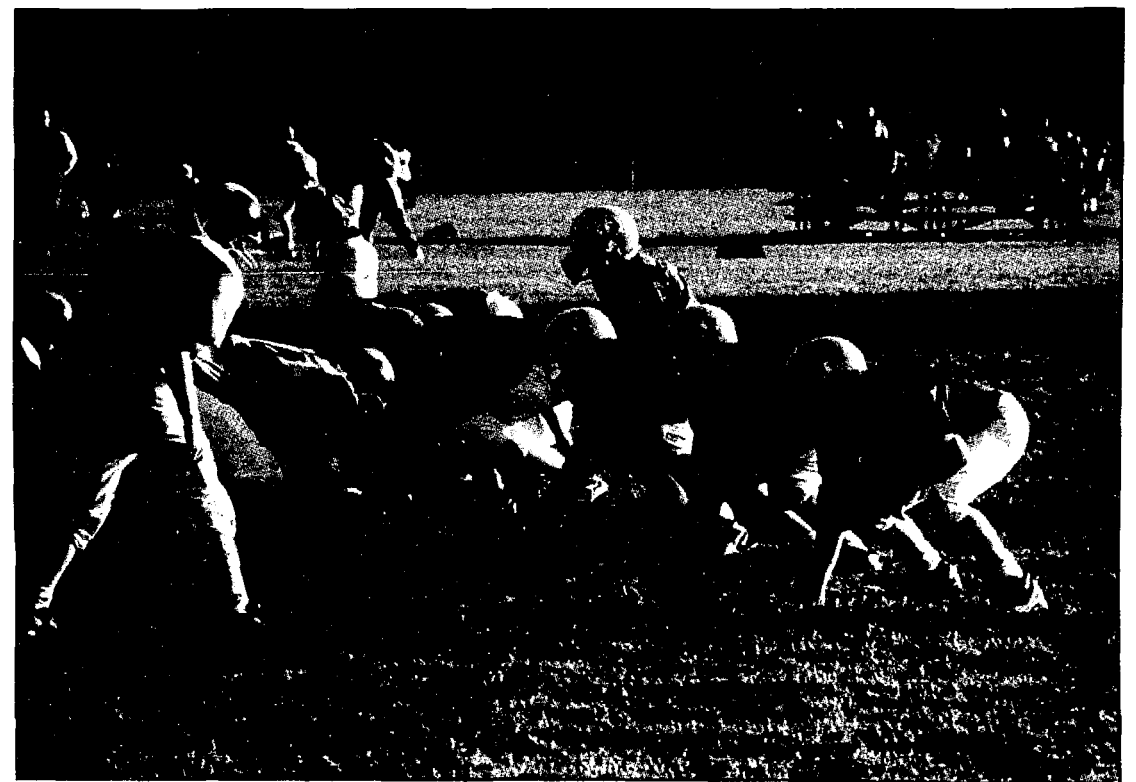
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OFFENSIVE LINE -- Grayling lines up on offense opposite the Gaylord Maize team.



BREAKING AWAY -- The Grayling Redskins find some room to run.



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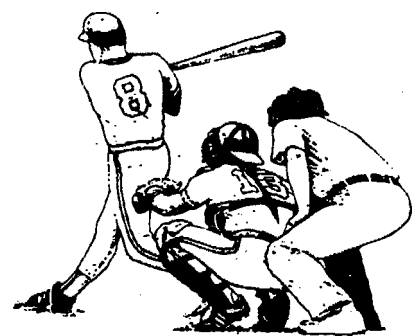
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Baseball travel team to hold tryout meeting

There will be a tryout/organizational meeting for all boys age 16-18 interested in playing for a baseball travel league team next season.

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Each player should bring his equipment and a letter of recommendation from either their freshmen, JV or Varsity baseball coach.

The travel league season will consist of 30-40 games. Games will be played statewide on both weekends and week-nights.

For more information contact Coach Gorski at 517-348-5626 or Coach Vandrese at 517-348-3947.

Grayling Soccer Club splits weekend games

Grayling Soccer Club (GSC) traveled to Gladwin on Saturday afternoon and came back with one win and one loss.

The first game against West Branch was a rematch from earlier this season when GSC lost 5-0. This time the match was more even though the score was only slightly better.

The GSC team got behind in the first half 3-0 when West Branch took advantage of the strong wind at their backs, firing hard long range shots.

"Normally these shots would have been stopped by GSC defense, but the wind and rough field conditions caused unexpected bounces that led to scores," said Coach Steve Langseth.

GSC had ball control and pressure on the West Branch goal to start the game. West Branch scored the first three times they got the ball into the GSC end. When the team switched sides at half GSC scored quickly when Eric Hunter fired a hard shot from 25 yards that the West Branch sweeper and goalkeeper mis-played.

GSC kept the pressure on for the



second half with several shots on goal, but failed to get another score. West Branch's final score came on a breakaway late in the game for a 4-1 final.

"Todd Gaffke and Josh Messerschmidt had an excellent game at several defensive positions. Tony English, Alex McNamara and Tom Failing showed good positioning and ball control at their forward positions," said Coach Langseth.

Brandon Pratt and Eric Hunter had 5 saves at goalkeeper.

In the second game Gladwin started out with the wind at their back, but were not able to take advantage of it.

Both teams had difficulty judging the ball due to the wind and rough field surface. The game was mostly a midfield struggle with only four Gladwin shots on goal in the first half. In the second half they did not get a single shot on goal against the wind. Grayling recorded six shots on the Gladwin goal in the second half.

Brandon Pratt recorded four saves as keeper and scored the only goal of the game in the second half. Pratt dribbled past three defenders to get off a hard shot to the back of the net.

The GSC defense of Travis Hatfield, Brock McLanahan, Ben Crawford, Josh Jurkovich and Tony Thomas held off determined Gladwin attacks for the rest of the game to maintain the win.

GSC's record is now 3-4-1.

The team will travel to Gaylord for the AYSO Tournament this weekend.



FOOT NOTES

by Ronald K. Olm, D.P.M.

TARSAL TUNNEL SYNDROME

Tarsal tunnel syndrome is a foot and ankle problem not unlike carpal tunnel syndrome, which affects the wrist and hand. The word tarsal refers to the lower ankle area of the foot, and the tunnel involved is the passageway through which the posterior tibial nerve passes as it runs among a series of structures including arteries, veins, tendons and ligaments. When this nerve becomes inflamed due to an underlying arthritic problem, trauma to the area, obesity, rheumatoid arthritis, or even excessive pronation of the foot, it may cause a persistent burning pain radiating between the lower leg and the toes that does not cease when weight is removed from the foot. Ice, rest, immobilization, and anti-inflammatory medications may help.

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P.S. If conservative measures do not relieve the pain of tarsal tunnel syndrome, a surgical procedure is available to help.

Homecoming 1998 Countdown

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|------------|--|
| October 1 | Voting for Prince and Princess and Senior King and Queen at all lunches |
| October 4 | Opening of school store |
| October 5 | Halls - decorating - 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. |
| October 6 | Monday:
Halloween day - dress up, no masks
Windows and halls are judged |
| October 7 | Tuesday:
Duct tape/toga day
Outdoor lunch |
| October 8 | Wednesday:
College tee/sweatshirt day
Powder puff football
Release at 12:16 |
| October 9 | Thursday:
Theme day
Release at 12:16 |
| October 10 | Friday:
Indoor/outdoor pep assembly
Introduce court to school
Introduce Grand Marshall
Parade - in town - 6 p.m. starts at middle school, ends at elementary.
Float judging 5:15 p.m. |
| October 10 | Saturday:
Dance 8:30 - 12 high school gym
Decorations 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Pictures by Prestige |

DuBois Lumber

Viking of the Week



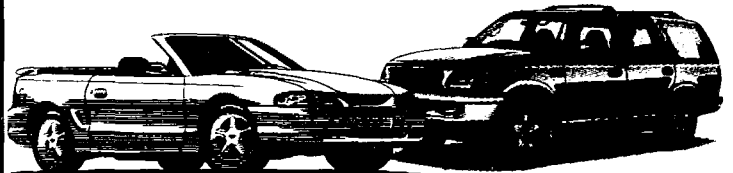
Golf
Coach: Herb Olson
CHET WHEELER

"This freshman is showing great improvement with scores of 47 at Bay City and 43 at home against Standish," said Coach Olson.

TOP Video movies

WHAT'S NEW ... WHO'S HOT

- Billy Crystal**
MY GIANT
Bruce Willis Alec Baldwin
MERCURY RISING
Explosive Action-Thriller
DEEP RISING
Nicholas Cage Meg Ryan
CITY OF ANGELS
Denzel Washington
HE GOT GAME
John Travolta Emma Thompson
PRIMARY COLORS
Kevin Bacon Neve Campbell Matt Dillon
WILD THINGS
Leonardo DiCaprio Kate Winslet
TITANIC
Barney's New Movie
BARNEY'S GREAT ADVENTURE
Disney's
POCAHONTAS: JOURNEY TO A NEW WORLD
Robert Duvall
THE APOSTLE
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Viking of the Week



Cross Country
Coach: Ron Rakoczy
BROOKE GINTNER

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Wendy's

Viking of the Week

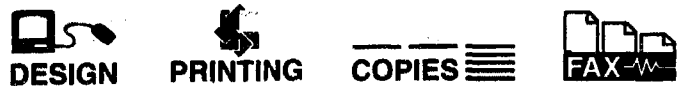


Cross Country
Coach: Ron Rakoczy
BRETT BLACK

Brett has been consistently placing as one of the top finishers at our meets, and took a first place against Roscommon at home last Monday," said Coach Rakoczy.

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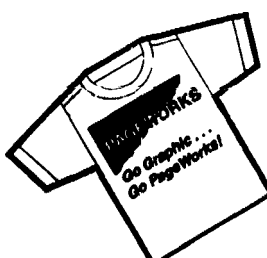
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Bovine T.B. legislation approved by Senate

Legislation co-sponsored by Senator Walter North (R-St. Ignace) and George McManus (R-Traverse City) giving the Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA) additional tools to fight bovine tuberculosis (TB) was approved unanimously by the state Senate on September 22.

The legislation gives the MDA authority to randomly test for TB in cattle and goats throughout the state and compensate livestock owners at fair market value if an animal is destroyed. It also increases the cap

on livestock compensation to \$2,500 per animal from the present \$1,250.

"The Department of Agriculture is making great headway in eliminating the threat of bovine tuberculosis in the state," North said. "Our farmers are providing their cooperation in this difficult process, and I believe that by working together we will be able to once again guarantee the health of Michigan's livestock."

Officials were first alerted to the new incidence of bovine tuberculosis from a white-tailed deer killed in

Alpena County in November, 1994. The disease spreads from animal to animal through close contact, such as that which occurs during feeding from a common source.

Since May 1, the state of Michigan has restricted the feeding of deer in Alpena, Alpena, Montmorency, Oscoda and Presque Isle counties and portions of Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco, Ogemaw, Otsego and Roscommon counties as a way to control the spread of bovine TB.

"I am encouraged by the swift

action taken by the Senate in passing this legislation," McManus said. "It is important that we hold farmers harmless for livestock which may need to be destroyed in our effort to eradicate bovine tuberculosis."

McManus added that several resources on bovine TB are available to farmers and sportsmen. The Department of Natural Resources offers the 1998 Michigan Hunting and Trapping Guide on their web site (www.dnr.state.mi.us) that contains a special section devoted to bovine TB.

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Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts recipient of 1998-99 grant

The Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts announces that it is among a select group of Midwest presenters chosen to receive a 1998-99 Heartland Arts Fund grant. The award is being used to support the October 2 performance of Landis and Company Theatre of Magic at Kirtland. Landis and Company Theatre of Magic also presents residencies in Roscommon, Collins and Prudenville Elementary Schools.

Sixteen in-school, hands-on workshops are scheduled for September 30. On that day, four professional artists will each facilitate four in-depth workshops at different schools. Workshops will explore physical theatre, using body expression to show emotion. Masks are used to encourage the students to find a typical means of expressing feelings. These interactive sessions, for up to 25 students, encourage each student to communicate with his/her full body. Study guides highlighting details about the upcoming performance, related terminology and suggested pre-and post-show activities, are provided to the classroom prior to the artists arrival. On Friday, October 2, Landis and Company will perform three 50-minute performances of its

interpretation of *Beauty and the Beast* at Kirtland.

The Heartland Arts Fund, a joint venture of regional arts organizations *Arts Midwest* and *Mid-American Alliance*, serves a 15-state region and helps presenters of music, theatre, opera and dance introduce professional artists from outside their home states to local audiences. The Heartland Fund received more than 500 applications for the 1998-99 season of which 323 received funding for a total of more than \$630,000 of funds designated.

David J. Fraher, Heartland Arts Funds Chairman said "Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts is to be commended for their commitment to serving their community with this distinctive event." The Heartland Arts Fund works in partnership with private and public arts supporters, including corporations, foundations, the region's fifteen state arts agencies, and the National Endowment for the Arts, from which it receives support.

For further information, contact Gary Carton, Director, Kirtland Center for the Performing Arts, (517) 275-5000 Ext. 311.

LEGAL ACTION

RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

Meeting held on the
31st day of August 1998
Grayling, Michigan

I. Meeting called to order by Mayor Stevens at 7:30 p.m.

II. Members Present: Stevens, Golinick, Ruddy, Brown, Palmer.
Members Absent: None.

Also in Attendance: Jerry W. Morford, City Manager, Kay Ellen King, Kevin Welch of Meadowbrook Insurance, Kevin Murphy of M.M.L., Pete Kurak of Meadowbrook Insurance, Dennis Palmer, Paul Olson of The Alliance.

III. Moved by Brown, supported by Golinick that the minutes of the meeting of August 10, 1998, be approved as presented. Ayes, 5; Nays, 0; Absent, 0. Motion carried.

IV. Public Hearing. None.

V. Communications were received and noted.

a. Housing Commission Minutes of July 14, 1998. Ms. Palmer asked Mr. Ruddy about the Galvani wrongful termination lawsuit. Mr. Ruddy brought her up to date. The City Manager said the city insurance attorney advises that the retirement matter has been resolved and that final paper work will be concluded soon. There was no wrongdoing by the City and the settlement was based on the retirement which would have been received under the former retirement plan.

b. City Balance Sheets for July, 1998.

c. Grayling Youth Booster Club regarding Basketball Court.

Moved by Golinick, supported by Ruddy to give permission to the Grayling Youth Booster Club to build a 24' x 48' basketball court located at the rear of the existing playground on the library side of the river at no cost to the City. Ayes, 5; Nays, 0; Absent, 0. Motion carried.

VI. Old Business.

a. Liability & Property Insurance Renewal.

Mr. Olson spoke to Council regarding his proposal with "The Alliance" for the city's liability and property insurance.

Mr. Kurak spoke to Council regarding his proposal with M.M.L. Liability & Property Pool for the city's liability and property insurance. He also introduced Kevin Welch with Meadowbrook.

Council asked questions regarding both proposals which were answered by the agents respectively.

Moved by Ruddy, supported by Golinick to accept the proposal from M.M.L. for the city's liability and property insurance in the amount of \$14,000 per year for two years or until September 1, 2000.

Ayes: Ruddy, Palmer, Golinick, Brown, Stevens.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

Motion carried.

VII. New Business. None.

VIII. Citizens who wish to speak. None.

IX. Reports of City Manager.

a. M.M.L. Convention next week in Traverse City, September 8th, 9th and 10th.

X. Reports of Council members.

a. Ms. Palmer asked about union negotiations. City Manager said they are coming along with September 17, 1998, the next meeting.

b. Mr. Golinick attended meeting for Cable TV and brought material for Council.

c. Ms. Brown inquired about the blue dots

on trees around town. City Manager said it means trees to be trimmed by Consumers Power.

d. Mr. Stevens reported graffiti sign on engineer building has been painted over.

XI. Adjournment.

Moved by Brown, supported by Golinick that the meeting be adjourned. Ayes, 5; Nays, 0; Absent, 0. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Jerry W. Morford
City Manager & City Clerk

SYNOPSIS GRAYLING TOWNSHIP BOARD Special Meeting September 16, 1998

Members Present: Janice Annis, Melvin Nunn, Terry Wright.

Members Absent: Monica Ashton, Ruth O'Mara.

Others Present: Dale Smith.

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Wright at 4 p.m.

The purpose of the meeting is to consider the Grayling Township Planning Commission's recommendation to re-zone from Recreational Forest to General Commercial a portion of the NE 1/4 of Section 30, T27N, R3W, located at the corner of M-93 (Hartwick Pines Road) and Roberts Road. The proposed parcel would be the future site of Michigan Department of Transportation District Office.

The Planning Commission recommended the parcel for re-zoning subsequent to a public hearing held on June 30, 1998.

Motion by Nunn, second by Annis, to accept the recommendation of the Planning Commission and re-zone from Recreational Forest (R-F) to General Commercial (C-1), for the purpose of Michigan Department of Transportation District Offices, a parcel described as:

Part of the NE 1/4 of Section 30, T27N, R3W, Grayling Township commencing at the NE corner of said Section 30; thence S 00 degrees 48' 56" W, 1023.11 feet along the East line of said Section 30 to the Point of Beginning; thence continuing S 00 degrees 48' 56" W, 781.50 feet; thence N 34 degrees 53' 24" W, 634.60 feet; thence N 55 degrees 06' 36" E 456.10 feet along the centerline of Business Loop I-75 (M-93) to the Point of Beginning, containing 3.32 acres, more or less, and being subject to an easement for highway purposes over and across the Northerly 100.0 feet and Easterly 33.0 feet thereof.

Ayes: Nunn, Annis, Wright. Nays: none.

Absent: Ashton, O'Mara. Motion carried.

(Note: The ordinance will become known as Grayling Township Zoning Ordinance 98-5 and becomes effective October 30, 1998.)

Wright moved to place an informational ad on the Snowmobile Association area map again this year. Ayes: Wright, Annis, Nunn.

Nays: none. Absent: Ashton, O'Mara.

Motion carried.

Motion to adjourn (4:15 p.m.) by Nunn, second by Annis, carried. Ayes: three; Nays: none; Absent: two.

Monica S. Ashton, C.M.C.
Grayling Township Clerk

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Crawford County Building Authority invites proposals from qualified contractors to bid on constructing a metal roof over the 911 and building and zoning office building.

A request for proposal may be received at the County Clerk/Register of Deeds Office and is to be used to provide interested contractors with sufficient information to enable them to prepare and submit bids for a contract award.

The county reserves the right to consider proposals or modifications at any time before the award is made, if such action is in the best interest of the county. The county also reserves the right to reject any and all proposals received as a result of this RFP, or to negotiate separately with any source whatsoever in any manner necessary to serve the best interests of the county. The county does not intend to award a contract solely on the basis of any response made to this request of otherwise pay for the information solicited or obtained. Proposals must be submitted prior to 4:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 6, 1998 to:

Sandra Moore
Crawford County Clerk/Register of Deeds
200 W. Michigan Ave.
Grayling, MI 49738

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Notice of Public Hearing on Increasing Property Taxes

The Board of Commissioners of the County of Crawford will hold a public hearing on a proposed increase of .15695 mills in the operating tax millage rate to be levied in 1998.

The hearing will be held on Tuesday, October 13, 1998 at 10:00 a.m. at the Crawford County Courthouse, 200 W. Michigan Ave., Grayling, MI.

The date and location of the meeting to take action on the proposed additional millage will be announced at this public meeting.

If adopted, the proposed additional millage will increase operating revenues from ad valorem property taxes 4.73% over such revenues generated by levies permitted without holding a hearing. If the proposed additional millage rate is not approved the operating revenue will increase by .42% over the preceding year's operating revenue.

The taxing unit publishing this notice, and identified below, has complete authority to establish the number of mills to be levied from within its authorized millage rate.

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GENERAL ELECTION NOTICE

Notice of last day of registration for the elections of:

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Lovells Township
Maple Forest Township
South Branch Township
City of Grayling

All electors are hereby given notice that THE GENERAL ELECTION will be held in all the above Townships and the city in the County of Crawford, State of Michigan on Tuesday, November 3, 1998.

Electors who wish to vote in the General Election must be registered to vote no later than Monday, October 5, 1998. To register, visit any Secretary of State branch office, the County Clerk's office of the Township or City Clerk's office.

Notice is hereby given that I will be at my office: During regular business hours 8:30 - 4:30 Monday through Friday, October 5, 1998, last day for electors to register with the County Clerk. Electors who wish to register with the Township or City Clerks are advised to call ahead for office hours.

Sharon K. Hartman, Beaver Creek Township Clerk - 275-8878
Nancy Bindschattel, Frederic Township Clerk - 348-8778
Monica S. Ashton, Grayling Township Clerk - 348-4361
Cheryl Hopp, Lovells Township Clerk - 348-9215
Susan Keene, Maple Forest Township Clerk - 348-9801
Laura Smith, South Branch Township Clerk - 275-8232
Jerry Morford, Grayling City Clerk - 348-2131

The polls of said election will be open at 7:00 a.m. and will remain open until 8:00 p.m. on November 3, 1998.

Sandra Moore, County Clerk

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For The Week Of October 4-10

ARIES

March 21-April 20

Start planning a social gathering for a few close friends. With your busy schedules, it's been hard to make time to get together. But if you make the plans early enough, you will all enjoy the time of fun and relaxation. Don't leave anyone out inadvertently.

TAURUS

April 21-May 21

You're very loyal. Just don't let that turn to possessiveness this week. If you do, it could pose a problem for you at home and at work. This is the week you promised a special friend some time. Don't go back on your word, even if it is tough to take time off.

GEMINI

May 22-June 21

Enjoying your job more than usual? Let the enthusiasm show. It will be a great boost to your career. You could sure use some of that enthusiasm at home, too. Remember that big project you've been putting off? Show some excitement and get it done!

CANCER

June 22-July 22

Obtaining and exchanging information becomes very important to you this week. Use it to your advantage! At work, be actively involved in a meeting you are required to attend. You'll get more out of it that way. At home, be open to new ideas.

LEO

July 23-August 23

A sense of support and harmony could make this week extra special. There will be harmony in the family for the first time in a long time because of a move or a wedding that could take place. Consider an investment this week, especially real estate.

VIRGO

August 24-September 22

Plan a romantic evening for you and your partner one night this week. You'll be especially glad you did. Change could be in the cards at work. Approach it with an open mind and innovative thoughts. It will turn out for the best for you in the end.

LIBRA

September 23-October 23

Someone close to you is feeling kind of down. Take one evening to help revive his/her spirits. Indulge your creative side this weekend. Set aside some time to enjoy an art show, classic movie or some creative endeavor. You'll feel more openminded as a result.

SCORPIO

October 24-November 22

Legal or financial problems will take precedence this week. It's time to face the music and put it behind you. Move on—but use your head and the knowledge you've gained from the professional advice you have received. Don't repeat those same mistakes.

SAGITTARIUS

November 23-December 21

Take a deep breath and dig in! You have a lot to accomplish both at home and at work. At home, you've got to get that project you've been putting off done. At work, set mini-goals for yourself, and push to get them accomplished by the end of the week.

CAPRICORN

December 22-January 20

If you get a chance to network through a social event this week, DO IT. It just could be the break you've been waiting for. Be ready to make a move and take advantage of the situation. Don't get too pushy on the homefront, though, and be patient with your partner.

AQUARIUS

January 21-February 18

This is the week to try to accomplish one of your goals at work. You'll find support all around you—just what you need during your goal-seeking. Don't let your tendency to be bold, headstrong and impatient work against you this week.

PISCES

February 19-March 20

It will end up being a serious week for you at home and at work. By the time the weekend comes, you'll be ready for a break. Make plans to visit a friend you haven't seen in a while. The time you enjoy together will help you forget how bad the week was.

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RECIPE OF THE WEEK

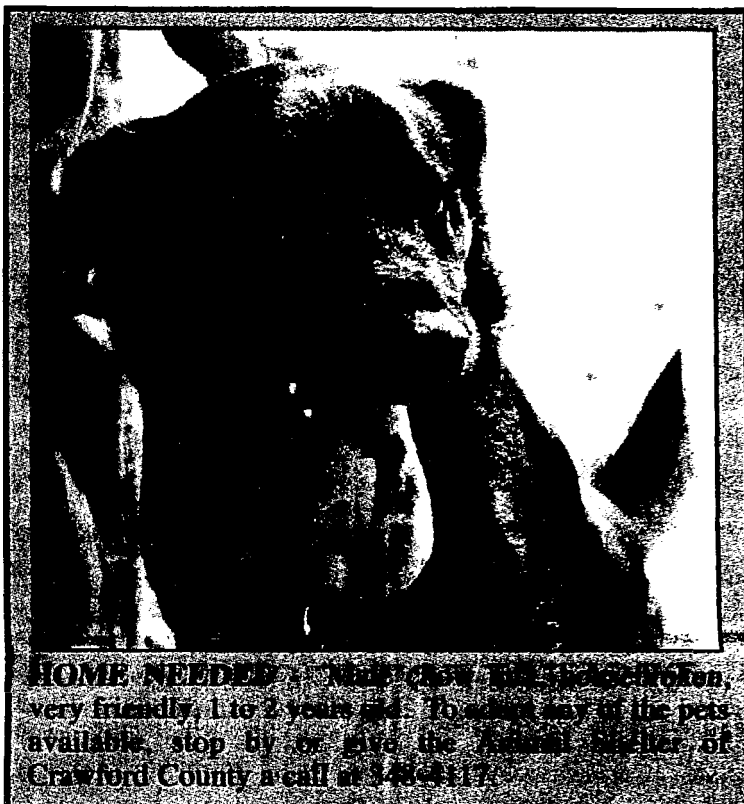
PIZZA MEN & AN EDIBLE FISHBOWL

2 tablespoons tomato sauce
1 English muffin, split and toasted
1/4-1/2 cup grated mozzarella cheese
3 olives, cut in half
1 slice red pepper
1 slice green pepper

Spread tomato sauce on both English muffin halves. Sprinkle grated cheese all over one half. Add olive halves for eyes and a nose, and a red pepper slice for a mouth. On the other muffin half, use olive slices for eyes and a nose, a green pepper for a mouth, and the remaining cheese for hair. Broil in a toaster oven for 5 minutes. Makes 2 individual pizzas

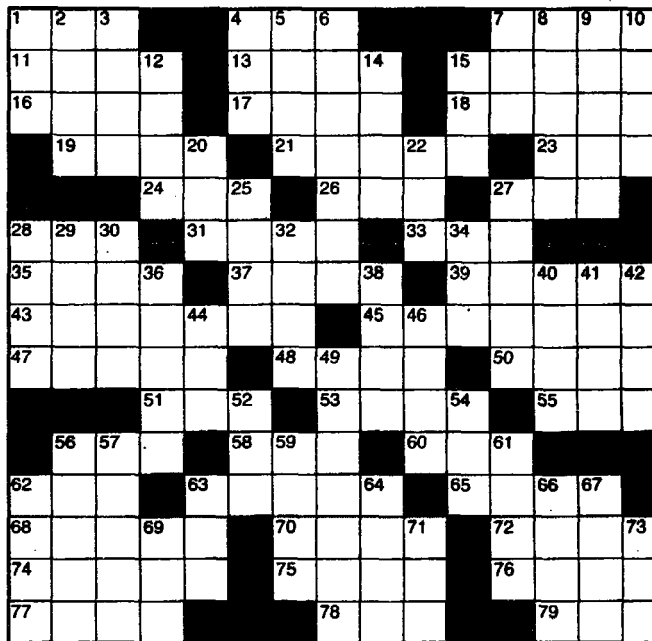
6 3-ounce packages of blueberry gelatin dessert
1 cup blueberries or grapes
Gummy fish

Prepare the blueberry gelatin in a large mixing bowl according to package directions and refrigerate until partially set (for an aquarium with more waves, let the gelatin thoroughly set). Make a rocky ocean floor by pouring the blueberries or grapes into the fishbowl. Spoon the blue "water" over the fruit, arranging the gummy fish into the gelatin. Chill thoroughly. Let the kids fish for the snack with a ladle and be sure to restock the aquarium with extra candies. Makes 12 cups.



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- Summer refresher
- Winnipeg skater
- Not any, down home
- Syrup
- Composer Stravinsky
- Ambiguous
- Roman public gown
- Makes small talk
- Lena the
- First name in gossip
- Brubeck and Garaway
- To the degree
- On The Town star Miller
- IRS's pen pal?
- "a Gift"
- Bali
- Kind of jockey
- Decorative vase
- Parent's sister
- Robber's spoils
- "Suite"
- Gets off on, '60s style
- Pen pals?
- Recipient of much mail in December
- Peruse, wolf-style
- Days of old
- And the like: abbr.
- Descended
- Flightless bird
- Possesses
- Fleet commander: abbr.

DOWN

- Drama division
- One of Monty Hall's three
- Therefore, to Descartes
- In time (promptly)
- Oath of surprise
- Cavendish or Captain Black
- Vocal opposition word
- Maxwell Smart, e.g.
- Puny ones
- "She Loves You" sound
- Novel by Zola
- Invitation addendum
- Type of cassette

- Conjunction
- de vie (brandy)
- Karnak's river
- Set in a surface
- Beldams
- Subtle emanation
- Hep to the scam
- Nothing to write home about
- Album letters
- Hauls
- Cashbox
- smasher
- Naught
- Not ashore
- Dyeing tub
- Singer Diamond
- Takes a chance
- Heel
- Tilt
- Cartoon Viking
- "to be born ..."
- (Ecclesiastes 2:16)
- Stevodore's workplace
- Participate in a democracy
- Verily
- Formerly
- Vast ages
- '69 Series winners
- Sudden feeling of longing
- Formerly named
- Captured GI
- Gym pad

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A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 YEARS AGO September 25, 1975

Mrs. Rosa Christenson celebrated her 89th birthday Sunday. Her birthday is the 23rd, and it is believed that she may be the oldest lifelong resident of the Grayling area.

Mrs. Enola Guyor, formerly of Monroe, moved to Grayling on August 22. She has assisted Mrs. Dale Hatt at the new Foster Home for Adults.

Students who have returned to Michigan State for their sophomore year are: Holly Knibbs, daughter of Mrs. Leonard Knibbs; Tina Henig, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. B. E. Henig; Walt Kozicki, son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kozicki; and Chris Sojka, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Sojka.

A daughter, Christa Lynn, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Northrup of Grayling on September 19, weighing 7 lb. 11 oz.

Dr. and Mrs. Robert M. Williams, of Grayling, announce the birth of a son, Mark Andrew, at Munson Hospital, Traverse City, on September 11, weighing 8 lb. 3 oz. Grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Tompkins and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Walker, all of Nocoma, Texas.

At Black and White Foodland: Banquet Frozen Dinners, 11 oz. pkg., 39¢ each; assorted Jello, 3 oz., 55¢; 1-lb. bag of Peter Paul bite-size candy bars, 89¢.

Parker Surveying won the championship playoff for the Grayling Softball League over the Bear Archery team at the General Telephone Field in Beaver Creek.

Margaret Austin has returned to CMU for her sophomore year. She is the daughter of Mrs. Martha Austin and grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Jensen.

Mr. and Mrs. James McDougall of Wayne visited the John Canfields for the weekend.

The Middle School held their first school party on September 12. Pop and popcorn were served. It was the biggest turnout ever for a school party.

Mrs. Jack Cook of Florida is spending some time visiting Mrs. Willard Cornell.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Allen and friends of Detroit spent the weekend canoeing and visiting her parents, the Vance Horners, recently.

46 YEARS AGO September 25, 1952

The Grayling Sportsman's Club building, through the strenuous efforts of its President, Grover Cason, and the members in general, is now completed and ready for use.

Miss Denise Sorenson walked off the first prize in her class at Northern Michigan Field Archers meet held in Gaylord recently and was also awarded the Kodiak bow raffled by the Grayling Archery Association. Frank Scott took first in the double A class free style, and Glen Day in the double A class instinctive. Mrs. Day, Mrs. Scott and Mrs. Alfred Sorenson attended the meet as spectators.

Mrs. William LaGrow was hostess to the "Just Us" Club Thursday evening. The evening was spent visiting and the usual "coffee" was enjoyed.

Mrs. Donald Koepfgen and daughter of Cass City are spending a couple of weeks with her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Welsh at Lake Margrethe.

Mrs. Vernon Gardiner and children of Wyandotte arrived Tuesday to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Skingley.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Steven Such (Catherine Charron) of Roscommon at Mercy Hospital, September 22.

69 YEARS AGO September 26, 1929

Miss Helen Estee enjoyed a visit from her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Estee of Shepherd over the weekend.

Miss Maxine Collen expects to leave for Detroit Saturday to spend the weekend at her trade, beauty culture.

Dr. and Mrs. C. G. Clippert and daughter Billie Ann are spending a few days visiting Mrs. Clippert's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Webb at Mt. Pleasant.

Charles Tromble returned home Saturday from a three-week visit in Detroit and Pleasant Ridge, Mich.

Dave Lovely of Flint is visiting at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Harley Kennedy.

Mrs. Forrest Barber returned from Durand, Wednesday, where he had been for a few days.

George Van Patten, night clerk at Shoppenagons Inn, returned from a few days visit in Detroit, Ann Arbor, and Flint.

George Granger returned Saturday to East Lansing to begin his third year at M.S.C. He is taking civil engineering.

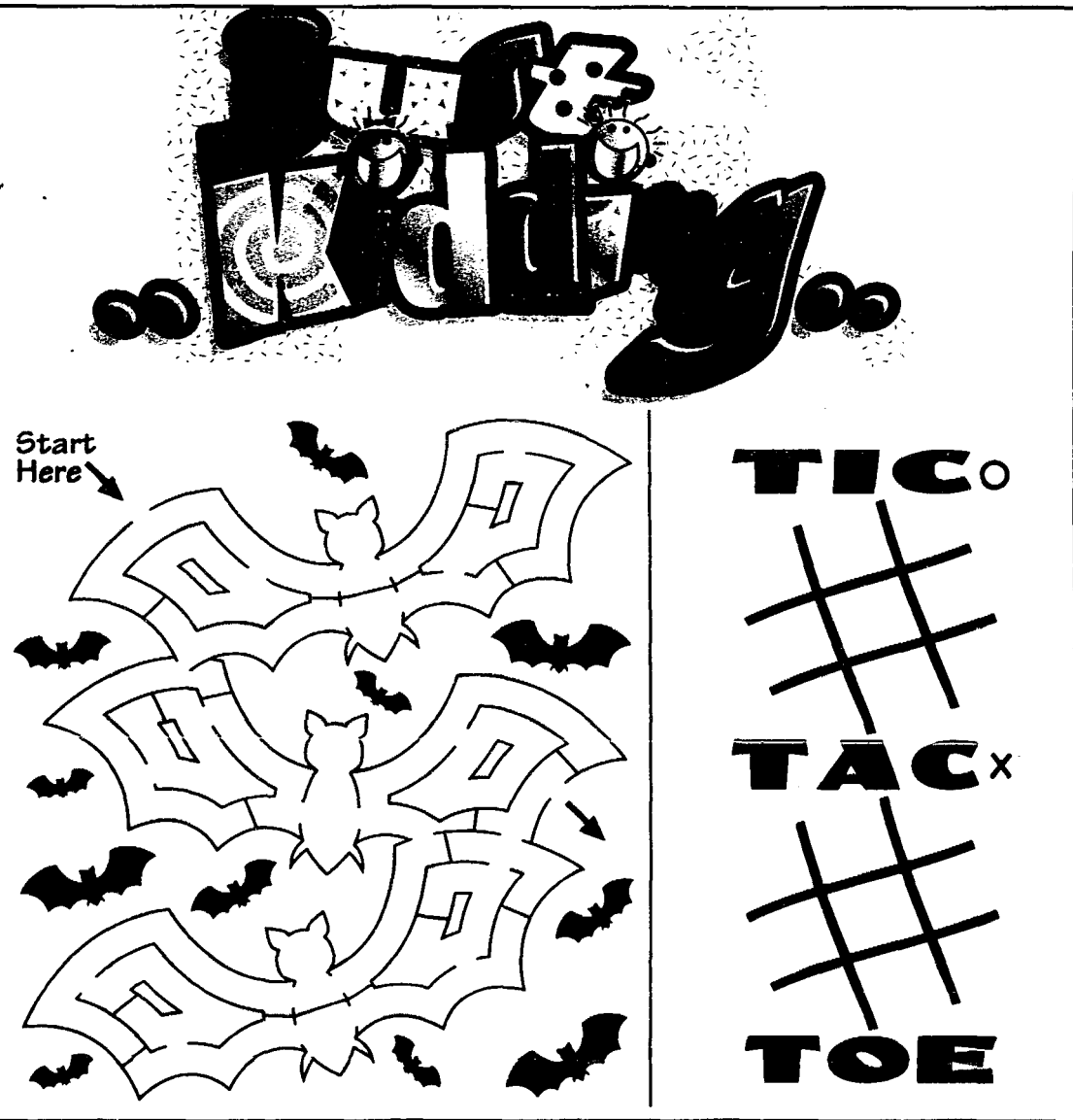
92 YEARS AGO September 27, 1906

Dr. Palmer and M. A. Bates left for Byron, Ohio, Tuesday night. Miss Martha Knibbs and Mrs. Arnold of Frederic were in town yesterday.

Sheriff Stillwell went to Tuscola Tuesday to look after his recently acquired farm property. He is expected home today.

Miss Bertha Woodburn of Grayling began to teach the lower grade in the school at Salling.

Miss Minnie Nelson is enjoying a well earned vacation this week.



WEATHER

Courtesy of the City of Grayling

Date	High	Low	Rain
9/23	57	33	0.03
9/24	62	34	0.05
9/25	64	47	0.04
9/26	78	55	0.33
9/27	82	63	0.66
9/28	65	39	0.01
9/29	66	37	

Extended Forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Gaylord: Wednesday evening, 30% chance of showers with lows in the mid 30s to 40. Thursday, chance of showers, highs in the 50s. Friday and Saturday will be dry with lows in the 30s both days. Highs on Friday of high 50s, highs on Saturday from mid 50 to 60.

VISITOR HOME

WEEK
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Game 2		Game 9		Game 16	
Game 3		Game 10		Game 17	
Game 4		Game 11		Game 18	
Game 5		Game 12		Game 19	
Game 6		Game 13		Game 20	
Game 7		Game 14			
Tiebreaker 1 game #1		Tiebreaker 2 game #9		Tiebreaker 3 game #18	

Avalanche Football contest Official Rules
(1) Contestants must list the advertiser in which each game is found. Write your prediction for the games played, advertisers and tiebreakers (total points scored by both teams) on entry form. Entry form without advertisers listed will be invalid. The person with the most correct picks wins all the weekly prizes listed. (2) One entry per person a week will be accepted. Crawford County Avalanche employees are not eligible. (3) Completed entry forms must be returned to the Avalanche no later than 5 pm Friday before each week's games. Mail slot in our door may be used Wednesday or Thursday night after 5 pm and before 9 am. Mailed entries must be postmarked no later than 5 pm Friday. Mail to Crawford County Avalanche, PO Box 490, Grayling, MI 49738. (4) Entries must be on an official entry form as printed in the Avalanche. No purchase necessary to enter. Entry forms are available at the Avalanche office. Winner may claim their prizes at the Avalanche office between 9 am and 5 pm weekdays. Identification and a social security number must be presented when claiming prizes.

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Week #4 Winning Games

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|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Arizona (37) | 11. Minnesota |
| 2. Denver | 12. Baltimore |
| 3. Green Bay | 13. Detroit |
| 4. Jacksonville | 14. Nebraska |
| 5. Kansas City | 15. Florida |
| 6. New Orleans | 16. Free (not played) |
| 7. Oakland | 17. Florida St. |
| 8. Pittsburgh | 18. CMU |
| 9. NY Giants (50) | 19. Notre Dame |
| 10. San Francisco | 20. U Of M (53) |

Week #4 Football Contest Winner

Butch Brown
with 19 correct answers.

- There were 173 entries, Game 16 was free to everyone due to the postponement caused by Hurricane Georges.
- 4 entries with 18 correct answers

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GMS 7th graders lose season opener to Surline

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The 7th Grade Girls Basketball Team played its first game on Thursday, September 17, a home match-up against Surline.

Surline came out on top by a score of 28-10.

"The girls did a great job for their first game," said Coach Craig Hofman. "We do not have a

lot of game time experience, but the girls improved throughout the game."

"We need to work on defense and ball movement," added Hofman.

Heather Vandecar was the high scorer for the Vikings with four points. Laura Gorski was the high rebounder with a total of eight boards.

GMS holds 'Punt, Pass and Kick Contest'

The Grayling Middle School Physical Education Department hosted its first ever NFL/Gatorade Punt, Pass and Kick Contest on Wednesday, September 23, at the GMS Athletic Field.

Twenty-one students in all participated in the event.

The results of the competition are as follows:

Girls

10-11 year old division

1st place Jodi Riddle

12-13 year old division

1st place Tracy Parkinson

2nd place Amanda Felver

Boys

10-11 year old division

1st place Jon Nash

2nd place Nick Terry

3rd place Russell Peters

12-13 year old division

1st place Greg Warren

2nd place Josh Hinkle

3rd place Chris Johns

Winners from each category received ribbons and all participants received certificates.

The first place finishers in each division will represent Grayling Middle School at the Sectional Competition to be held at the Traverse City Civic Center on Saturday, October 10.

Grayling's 7th grade 'White' team beat by Roscommon

by Caleb Casey
Staff Writer

The Grayling Middle School 7th Grade "White" Team went to Roscommon on Monday, September 21 to square off against the Bucks.

Roscommon won that game by a final score of 34-3.

Jessica Stewart reached the double digits in rebounds with 10 boards.

"The girls ran into a very good Roscommon team. They had a lot more experience and we struggled bringing the ball up against their press," said Coach Craig Hofman.

"The girls never gave up and kept

playing hard even when the Bucks were pulling away," said Coach Hofman.



FOOTNOTES FROM THE HILLS

Grayling Recreation Authority News Submitted by Cindy Olson

MEMBERSHIPS - Due to unfavorable weather conditions last year, we are offering memberships at a huge discounted rate.

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Downhill Fam.	\$350
X Country Ind.	\$50
X Country Fam.	\$90

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SOMETHING NEW - Are you tired of those drawers full of GRA sports shirts? We have a solution that will be introduced this fall. The official GRA sports shirt will be a two-sided nylon shirt that will be used for all GRA sports except basketball and is intended to be used for many years. The cost of the shirt will be \$8.

INTERNET - Visit us at our new home page - www.hanson-hills.org or e-mail us at hanson-hills@mich.com. You can check out all the happenings at Hanson Hills.

FACILITY RENTAL - The Fred Bear Memorial Center has new paint and carpeting. Don't forget - The building is available for meetings. We have facilities for your parties, reunions and events. The gym is an excellent place for a birthday party or rainy day use at only \$15 an hour. The main lodge is \$175 per day. Please call 348-9266.



ATTENTION - Any bolted lockers from years past will be cut off on October 5, 1998. If you have equipment left in a locker, please remove it before that Monday.

SPOOKFEST - Free candy, games, and contest Saturday, October 31, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. The Haunted House may be visited Friday the 30th and Saturday the 31st, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m., for \$1 admission.

SNOWBOARD CLUB - Join the club and receive community service hours toward high school graduation. You may expect a great time spent with friends helping our community. Season memberships may also be worked off through this club. For more



KICKING OFF -- A Grayling Middle School student lets one fly off the tee in the "kicking" portion of the "Punt, Pass and Kick Contest."



AWARDS CEREMONY -- GMS physical education teacher Cindy Jones gives out certificates to all the contest participants.

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Changes proposed for State Forest fee system

by Cara McDevitt
Capital News Service

The price for enjoying Michigan's state forests could be going up.

More services and facilities would be offered in the state forests in exchange for user fees, under a bill legislators will consider when they reconvene Tuesday for a three-week pre-election session.

Republican Sen. Philip Hoffman of Horton, who is up for re-election on November 3, is optimistic his proposed forest recreation fund bill will pass and be signed by Gov. John Engler.

Hoffman's bill would require the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to develop an "integrated" recreation system, reports the House Natural Resources and Environmental Affairs Committee.

"With this fund, it would open

up the forest to the general public for camping and more," Hoffman says.

The bill requires DNR to create and promote opportunities for hunting, fishing, camping, hiking, snowmobiling, off-road vehicle riding, boating, trail related activities and other forms of recreation within each state forest.

Currently, there is a small fee for camping in state forests, but no way to make sure people are paying. There are collection boxes tacked to trees and campers are on the honor system to pay, reports Waters.

Hector Chiunti, DNR recreation and trails executive, said the bill would give authority to DNR to recognize volunteers as state employees along with providing the authority to enforce the rules within state forests, and lease space for private retailers to con-

duct business.

"This bill would allow personnel within our division to be the eyes and ears of law enforcement within state forests, where right now there is none," Chiunti said.

A fee would be charged for camping, renting a canoe or mountain biking on state forest property. The money generated would go directly to the forest fund to pay for more forest officers and better bike trail signs.

"Currently, Michigan state parks have more opportunities than state forests from hot chocolate to canoes," says Brian Waters, Hoffman's assistant. "We want to expand the opportunities in state forests, too."

The DNR reports there are about 3.9 million acres of land, making Michigan the largest state forest system.

Hoffman's bill would grant con-

cessions within a state forest and allow leasing of property to a private retailer.

Hillsdale resident Dennis Haskins says that establishing a user fee for camping is a positive thing as long as he doesn't have to pay to stop and listen to the birds.

"If they (DNR) are going to expand service, they need to find a way to fund it," Haskins said.

BOWLING LEAGUE

Recreation League	
Fun-N-Sun Rental	10 - 2
Peterson Saw Service	9 - 3
Scheer Motors	7 - 5
Mark 8	6 - 6
Gray Rock	6 - 6
Glan's Market	4 - 8
Mickey Perez CPA	4 - 8
Cornell	2 - 10
Women High Game: Adrian J. Mastej, 209; Jeanne A. Czapek, 185; Pam A. Terry, 181.	
Women High Series: Julie H. Hinds, 531; Marilyn McClanahan, 512; Adrian J. Mastej, 495.	
Northwood League	
Millikin's	8 - 4
Rich's Cycle Service	8 - 4
R. Calkins & Sons	7 - 5
Rochette's	7 - 5

Darrell's Roofing	7 - 5
Milltown Chiropractic	4 - 8
R & M Masonry	4 - 8
Shady Acres Party Store	3 - 9
High Game: Juanita Tanski, 230; Maribeth Miller, 205; Lisa Holtcamp, 175.	
High Series: Maribeth Miller, 542; Juanita Tanski, 517; Linda Dannenberg and Lisa Holtcamp, 477.	
Friday Mixed Doubles	
Charlie's Country Corner	11 - 1
Aunt Betty's	8 - 4
Hilltop Manor HCC	8 - 4
Just Us	5 - 7
Fick & Sons	5 - 7
Moshier Auto Repair	4 - 8
R. Calkins & Sons	4 - 8
Sawmill	3 - 9
High Game Men: M. Sumner, 205; L. Rioux, 192; R. Moshier, 187.	
High Series Men: M. Sumner, 573; J. Campbell, 504; L. Rioux, 490.	
High Game Women: L. Holtcamp, 201; B. Lozon, 200; M. Moshier, 186.	
High Series Women: L. Holtcamp, B. Lozon, 524; K. Moshier, 495; K. Trudeau, 465.	

Dan Canfield, 579; Joel Arwood, 553.	
National First	
Forest Brothers	17 - 4
Grayling Ford	14 - 7
Faustman's Insurance	11 - 10
Hellebuyck Masonry	10 - 11
Swamp II	10 - 11
Northern White Tail	9 - 12
Gun's & Grubs	8 - 13
Century 21	5 - 16
High Game: G. Goniwich, 244; M. Millikin, 233; T. Devins, 225.	
High Series: M. Barr, 601; M. Millikin, 583; G. Goniwich, 582.	

Women's Hi Single: D. Mead, 186; P. Harris, 178; R. Joyce, 167.	
Men's Hi Three: G. Wolfe, 528; K. Harris, 522; O. Brantley, 498.	
Men's Hi Single: G. Wolfe, 201; K. Harris, 187; M. Ingram, 182.	

Triangle	
Barber Construction	11 - 1
CSI Ind. Sys.	6 - 6
Summer	6 - 6
Moshier Auto	5 - 7
Airway Auto	2 - 10
High Game: Jack Campbell, 234; Tom Everly, 225; Michal Sumner, 205.	
High Series: Tom Everly, 565; Jack Campbell, 560; Michal Sumner, 525.	

Transport	
Camaros	4 - 0
Corvettes	4 - 0
T-birds	4 - 0
Ramblers	3 - 1
Mustangs	1 - 3
Mercury Cruisers	0 - 4
Chevilles	0 - 4
Road Masters	0 - 4
Men High Game: Nick McNamar, 180	
Men High Series: Rusty Strohpaui, 490.	
Women High Game: Krystel Davis, 128.	
Women High Series: Krystel Davis, 358.	

Sunday Nite Mixed	
Us & Them	9 - 3
Waste Management	8 - 4
Citgo	8 - 4
Ray Pyle's	7 - 5
Wakeley's Auto Parts	7 - 5
R & M Masonry	6 - 6
Custom Interiors	3 - 9
McDonald's of Gaylord	2 - 10
Men's High Game: J. Helsel, 237; R. Pyle, 196; J. Dannenberg, 185.	
Men's High Series: J. Helsel, 538; M. Sumner, 536; R. Pyle, 506.	
Women's High Game: S. Romain, 181; J. Hinds, 180; M. Starks, 175.	
Women's High Series: S. Romain, 527; J. Hinds, 509; S. Sumner, 481.	

Roll	
Leaders of the Pack	3 - 0
Twisters	3 - 0
Blue Suades	3 - 0
Hound Dogs	2 - 1
Surfers	1 - 2
Jail House Rockers	0 - 3
Rock'n Robins	0 - 3
Limbo's	0 - 3
Men High Game: Joshua Mastej, 114.	
Men High Series: Joshua Mastej, 219.	
Women High Game: Michelle McGuire, 89.	
Women High Series: Michelle McGuire, 175.	

American Men's	
Northwoods Land	16 - 5
Fenton's Auto	14 - 7
Joel's Team	12 - 9
Stitches by Sue	11 - 10
Upper Lakes	10 - 11
Moore's Auto	9 - 12
Forrest Bros.	7 - 14
McLean's Ace	5 - 16
High Game: Dan Canfield, 233; Larry Davis Jr., 232; Joel Arwood, 212.	
High Series: Larry Davis Jr., 659;	

Rock	
Beetles	3 - 0
Temptations	3 - 0
Dimensions	2.5 - 0.5
Rat Pack	2 - 1
Rolling Stones	1 - 2
Tops	0.5 - 2.5
Pretenders	0 - 3
Supremes	0 - 3
Men High Game: Jon Handy, 98.	
Men High Series: Jon Handy, 195.	
Women High Game: Danielle Ginther, 108.	
Women High Series: Danielle Ginther, 212.	

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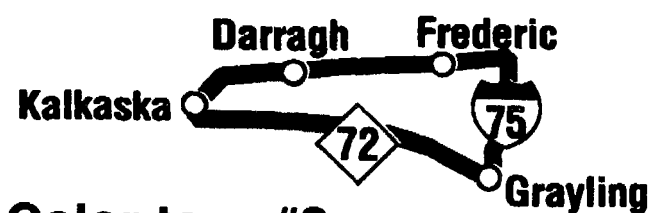
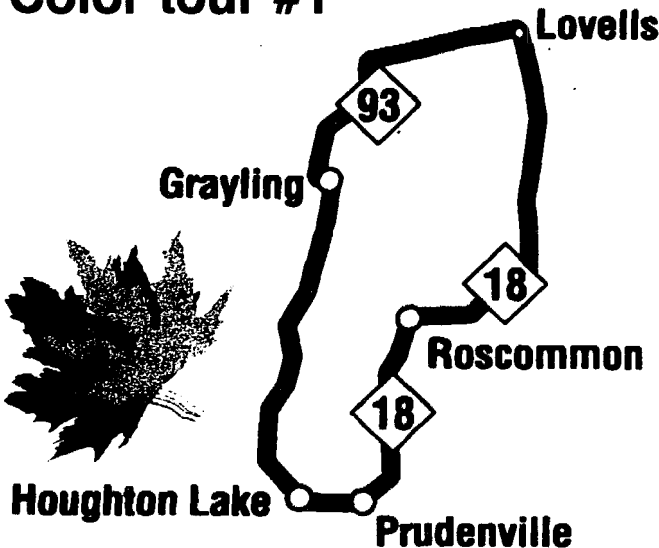
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Choose from two area color tours

Here are two local fall color tours sure to please color-seekers.

COLOR TOUR #1 - Features Grayling, Hartwick Pines State Park, Lovells, Roscommon, Prudenville, Houghton Lake, and Houghton Heights. **Directions:** From Grayling, head north on I-75 to M-93 (exit 259), and continue north on M-93 to Hartwick Pines State Park. From Hartwick Pines continue north on M-93 for one mile, then turn right (east) on County Road 612 to Lovells. In Lovells, travel south on County Road F97 to M-18 to Roscommon, and follow M-18 south to M-55 west to Houghton Lake and Houghton Heights. At Houghton Heights take Old 27 north back to Grayling.

Color tour #1



Color tour #2

COLOR TOUR #2 - Features Kalkaska, Manistee Lake, Frederic, and Grayling. **Directions:** From Kalkaska, take County Road 612 east six miles, then turn left (north) on County Road 571, drive two miles, and turn right (east) to return to County Road 612. Continue east past Manistee Lake and Frederic to I-75. Head south on I-75 to Business Loop I-75 south (exit 259) to enter Grayling. In Grayling, head west on M-72 to return to Kalkaska.

Maps and directions adapted from the "West Michigan 1998 Fall Fun & Color Tour Guide."

All lanes clear on Mackinac Bridge for color tour weekend

Work on the structural repair project on the inside lanes of the Mackinac Bridge is complete a week ahead of schedule, opening all lanes of traffic for the beginning of Michigan's 1998 fall color season.

Wide load restrictions are also lifted through Friday, October 2, 1998. Work on Michigan's first \$1 billion road and bridge program continues as the *Build Michigan II* plan is bringing more long term improvements to Michigan roads and bridges. Phase one of the project ended September 25, 1998.

"We are very pleased to announce that all four lanes on the Mackinac Bridge will be open for the weekend," said State Transportation Director James DeSana. "As fall

colors grace our beautiful peninsula, we encourage people to travel and enjoy the vibrant hues nature paints. We are working diligently to complete the work timely and minimize the impact on motorists."

Finger joints and bearings at the north tower are being replaced to allow the bridge to continue to move with the stresses of wind and the weight of traffic. This will ensure safe and efficient travel between Michigan's upper and lower peninsulas. The \$675,000 improvement is expected to last 50 years.

Phase two of the project begins Monday, October 5, 1998, and is planned to continue through Saturday, October 17, 1998. Two-way traffic will be maintained on

the southbound roadway while the outside northbound lane (most easterly lane) receives new finger joints and bearings.

"Traffic movement is critically important to travelers and to those of us working on the bridge," said Hank Lotoszinski, Mackinac Bridge Executive Secretary. "During phases two and three, we are asking motorists to drive with special care and obey all traffic signs."

"No passing will be allowed on the bridge during this time. Traveling posted speeds will move traffic and maintain safety for both motorists and bridge workers. We appreciate your patience and attention as you cross the Mackinac Bridge."

During the remaining two phases, from October 5 through October 30, 1998, loads over 10 feet to 14 feet will be escorted across the bridge at 5 a.m. weekdays. Vehicles wider than 14 feet will not be allowed to cross until the project is completed.

Historic trends indicate most motorists cross the span Monday through Thursday from noon to 4 p.m., Friday from noon to 8 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and Sunday from noon to 8 p.m. The Authority encourages motorists to cross during non-peak times to minimize slowdowns.

The five-mile-long Mackinac Bridge was opened to traffic on November 1, 1957, serving more than 100 million vehicles during its 40-year lifetime.

Michigan is "fall color central"

They come from across Michigan and across the Midwest. And they come for good reason: the annual state fall color bonanza, which this year could see more than 2.7 million leaf-peepers taking in the show, says AAA Michigan.

"It used to be that only a few folks took vacations during our state's glorious fall color season. Not so anymore," says Linda Woolwine, AAA Michigan Vice President of Travel and Field Operations. "Fall is Michigan's second-most important tourism season behind summer, for good reason."

Richard Czuba, director of Travel Michigan, agrees. "Most areas of the state have reported an extremely strong spring and summer season. We're looking forward to an equally strong fall color season," he said.

An Auto Club survey of 500 state residents in mid-August showed 28 percent were planning a fall color trip and 83 percent of those will be traveling in Michigan. Respondents particularly singled out the northwest and northeast Lower Peninsula as destinations.

One reason for the fall upsurge is that Michigan's hardwood forests are growing, literally, up more than 35 percent in volume since 1980. The most prevalent species are maples, aspen, oak and birch, which at their fall best turn the state into a kaleidoscope of oranges, russets and yellows.

"When set against a backdrop of the state's vast evergreen forests, blue sky and water, the color combination is unbeatable," Woolwine said.

Travelers wanting to follow each

week's performance can call Travel Michigan at (800) MI-4-FALL for reports on fall color conditions across the state, updated by AAA Michigan each Wednesday through October, including on its website, www.aaamich.com.

For a listing of Michigan fall events, call (888) 78-GREAT (784-

7328), or browse www.michigan.org.

AAA Michigan encourages leaf-peepers to use common sense when viewing fall color. Wear safety belts, avoid alcohol and stay alert at the wheel. Pull off the road to let faster traffic through on scenic routes.



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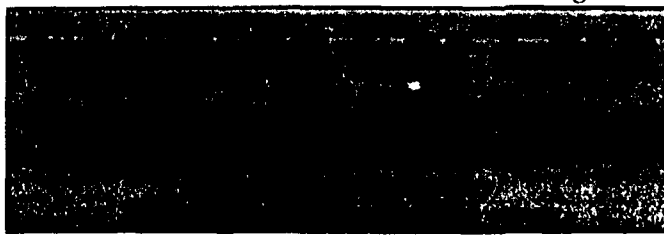
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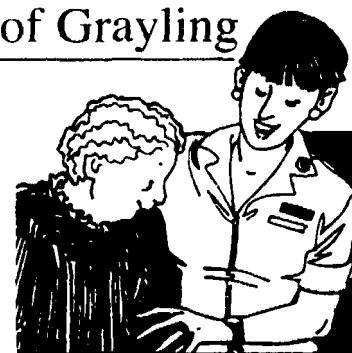


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SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley

Special thoughts: Were you to break off with friends who sin, you would be friendless. A cat doesn't have nine lives, but catty remarks do.

Happenings at the Center: Picnic at Wellington Farms on the 30th. (Let's hope the weather holds out and the colors remain for us to enjoy!) Call or sign up when you're in for this picnic; a fun time to see all of the old-time farm things and they now have some animals to see. Pantry Bingo on Friday, October 2. Sunday brunch on the 4th from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. "Hangman" on the 5th; Trivia on the 6th; Commodities distributed on the 7th, and "BK" Bingo at 5:30 p.m. "Lucky 7" casino trip, leaving at 10 a.m. on the 8th; blood pressures and sugars taken from 11 a.m. to noon. Frederic satellite on the 9th and Pantry Bingo at the Center.

SHARE sign-up from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on the 12th and "Hangman" at 5:30 p.m. Dance with Tina on the 13th at 5:30 p.m.; "Out to Lunch" gang leaves at 11:15 a.m. on the 14th with our Birthday Dinner and RSVP white elephant auction following. Lovells satellite. Pantry Bingo and Legal help, all on the 16th. Pancake Brunch on the 18th. Don't forget our Halloween party and dance on the 27th.

Regular things are happening at the Center, as well! We have

bridge club every Monday and a euchre club every Tuesday. Both are open-ended so that anyone can come and play. Bridge is a little more dependent on the number of people per table, so if you are alone, give us a call at 348-7123 so we can make up an extra table.

Just a reminder that our congregate meals are served at noon and 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday and lunch only on Friday. We have a fruit and vegetable salad bar on Tuesdays and soup is served on Monday and Wednesday. Please try to make a reservation, if you can, by calling 348-7123 or 1-888-355-4500.

September:
30 - New England Boiled Dinner/ Chicken a la King.

October:
1 - Pot Roast/Liver & Onions
2 - Parmesan Chicken
5 - Oven Fried Chicken/Hot Beef Sandwiches

6 - BBQ Pork/Fish Fillets
7 - Roast Beef/Chicken & Biscuits

8 - Stuffed Ham Roll/Stuffed Turkey

9 - Meatloaf/no dinner

A couple of thoughts to leave you with: A friend is a person with a sneaky knack of saying good things about you behind your back. "Friends are God's apology for relations." - Hugh Kingsmill.

Please have a good week and stop in and see us soon.

YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services /
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Moving? Don't forget to tell Social Security

Many people who have their Social Security checks sent directly to their checking accounts are forgetting to let Social Security know when they have a change of address. As a result they risk missing out on valuable information they may need to keep their checks coming.

While we encourage people to use direct deposit, we also remind

them that this does not mean we no longer need the address.

We send beneficiaries information that tells them when there are changes in their check amounts or about changes in the program they should know about.

Sometimes a question comes up that may affect their checks, and if we get no response from them, their checks may stop.

Some people apparently think giving the new address to the Post Office will result in their mail being forwarded to their new address. But the Post Office will forward mail only for up to one year.

After that it assumes you have changed your records to get any mail due you.

When you move, you should always inform Social Security of your new address.

You can do it by telephone, mail, or you can drop by the Social Security office.

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RANGE FIRING

Camp Grayling Range Firing scheduled, during the period September 30 through October 6, 1998.

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Road 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Road 618, and west of County Road F97 (Twin Bridge Road).

The Range 40 Complex, located north of County Road 612, east of Sherman Road, south of Old State Road 618, and west of County Road F97 (Twin Bridge Road). Military maneuvers; squad live fire, mortar and artillery firing conducted.

Small Arms Ranges located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline and south of Portage Creek.

Range 20 and 21, Demolition Ranges located south of Howe

Road, west of the Crawford County Line, north of Daniels Road and east of the gas pipeline.

The Range 30 Complex, located north of North Down River Road, east of Jones Lake Road, south of County Road 612, and west of Bald Hill Truck Trail. Tank maneuvers, and 50 cal. firing conducted.

In addition, the following roads will be closed on Saturday, October 3 through Sunday, October 4, 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.:

a. Bucks East-West Truck Trail from Jones Lake Road to Wakeley.

b. Ketchum Truck Trail from Bucks East-West to North Down River Road.

c. Stephan Bridge Road from County Road 612 to North Down River Road.

For further information, call 1-517-344-0153.

GARDEN CORNER

by Roy Spangler, County Extension Director

Galls on oak trees noticeable this year

Over the last few weeks, many homeowners have been finding little whitish, marble-sized balls on their lawns, driveways and walks. The question that naturally arises is: "Where are these things coming from?"

Literally, hundreds of these spherical-shaped "things" can be found littering the area. According to Russell Kidd, forester with MSU Extension, what people are experiencing is a leaf gall problem coming from oak trees in their yard.

"This growing season appears to be a banner year for gall problems on all types of trees and shrubs in the area," states Kidd. "It's probably due to the abnormally warm winter, spring and summer we experienced this year."

Many of these galls are caused by some type of insects. The warmer temperatures probably didn't kill many during the winter or allowed them to really grow and multiply during the growing season or possibly a combination of the two," says Kidd.

According to Kidd, oak trees are especially vulnerable to attack from gall forming insects. These insects can be small wasps (not the typical bee or wasp most people see), small fly-like midges or even mites that can cause galls to form. These insects usually start feeding very early in the spring.

The plant's response to their feeding is to form some type of abnormal growth called a gall. Galls can be formed on the leaves or on the twigs of a tree.

In many cases, eggs or immature forms of the insect can be found inside a gall. Therefore, the gall serves a place for the insect to develop. But this is not always the case," said Kidd.

"As far as a homeowner is concerned, most leaf galls are nothing

to worry about," explains Kidd. "Leaf galls really do not seriously affect a tree's health and in a few weeks the leaves will be falling off the trees for the season. Besides, by the time a homeowner sees the developed gall, it's too late to control the problem anyway."

"It's something that I just don't recommend spraying for in most cases. Probably the best thing for a homeowner to do is to do a good job of raking up the leaves and galls as best possible and composting them away from the trees in their yard."

Twig galls can be more of a problem since they will continue to be with the tree even after the leaves fall.

Severe infestations of twig galls can cause deformed growth of a branch and occasionally might kill small twigs in a tree.

However, spraying is usually not warranted as a chemical pesticide must be applied before new galls form and large infestations are just not common.

Sometimes twig galls can be pruned out by the homeowner and destroyed.

"Populations of most gall insects vary from year to year. Homeowners might experience similar problems next year, but I doubt if it will be as severe. Usually cold winter temperatures or natural predators more or less keep these insect populations under control," says Kidd.

For more information about plant gall problems, contact the Crawford County MSU Extension office at 1-517-344-3264.

Health Department announces clinics

District Health Department No. 10 has scheduled the following clinics at the Grayling office. Appointments are recommended or required for all clinics.

Please call 348-7800 for information on these clinics and our Environmental Health Services.

Immunization Clinics:
October 7, 21 and 26.

Flu Clinics: October 2, 9 and 16. Charge is \$9 for the flu vaccination.

If you are on Medicare, please bring your Medicare card with you. Medicare will pay for your vaccination, but you must present your card.

Those with special health concerns should consult with their doctor.

Family Planning: October 2, 13 and 27.

Premarital Class: October 13 and 21.

Optional/Confidential HIV/AIDS testing: October 1 and 15.

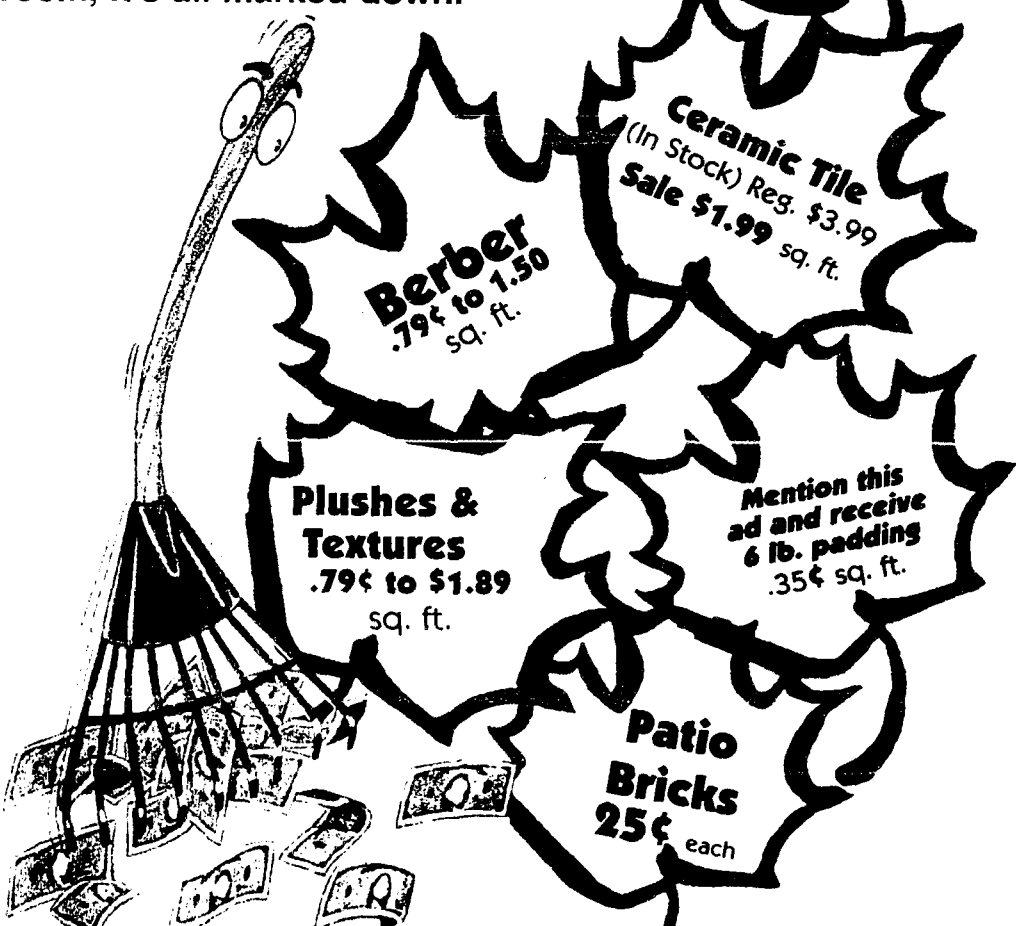
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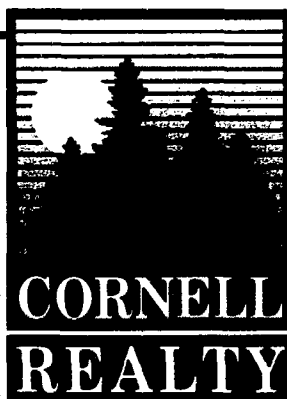
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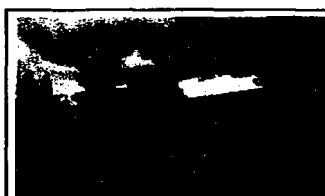
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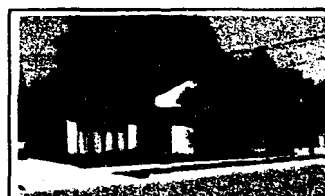
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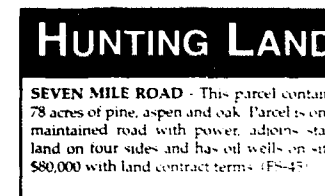
TWO-BEDROOM MOBILE with 9x26 addition with woodburner, 1 1/2 acres, close to state land and snowmobile trails. \$29,900 (SC-30)



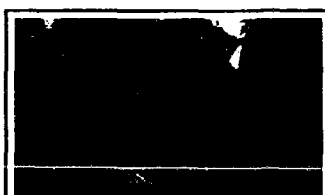
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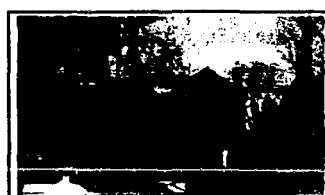
AUSABLE RIVER HOME City of Grayling. 2,288 sq. ft., 3 bedrooms, family room, 2 baths, custom cabinets and wood work throughout, vinyl siding, hotwater baseboard heat. 24x32 garage. Steps & Dock at the River. \$90,000 (MC-532)



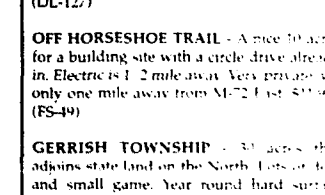
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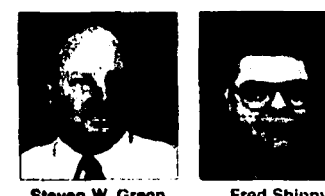
GERRISH TOWNSHIP - 31 acres that adjoins state land on the North. Lots of deer and small game. Year round hard surface road access. \$32,900 (FS-54)



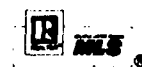
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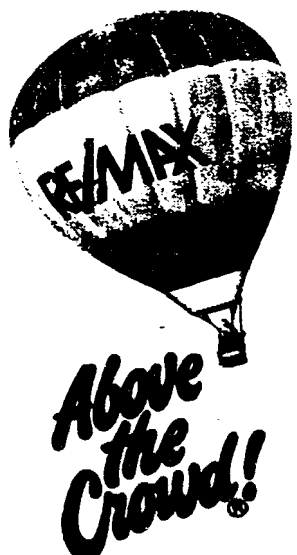
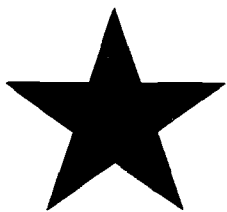
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HOMETOWN NEWS To the friends of Joe Collen. Since Joe left in July he was promoted to Lance Corporal on 9/3/98. He is in process now of flying out to Korea for 30 days of training as part of "Operation Full Eagle." He is expected to return from Korea to Hawaii in mid November. (-1/8)

DJ AND KARAOKE at the Sawmill October 1, 8-12. Miss Beehavin will be playing at the Sawmill October 2nd and 3rd. 9-1. (-1/8)

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GARAGE SALE Old gas pump, old wood cook stove, drill press and more. East M-72 to F-97, turn left on F-97, go 5 1/4 miles on right. Red Pine Dr., turn right go to A-frame on left. Daily for three to four weeks. (-24-1-8/10)

END OF THE YEAR Friday, Saturday, opening at 9-? 10790 S. Grayling Rd., Roscommon, eight miles south of Grayling. Couch, chairs, misc. (-1/10)

GARAGE SALE Refrigerated port power pack, 1" socket set, some antiques, fishing stuff, Reese trailer hitch, lots of bottles Hi Tech, 30.06 rifle with scope. Lots of other things too much to list all. Price to sell. 6845 Morris Trail, Lovells, 517-348-1207, September 29th to October 3rd. (-1/10)

YARD SALE 2346 Peaceful Vista, Grayling, Friday and Saturday, October 2nd and 3rd, clothing bag sale. (-1/10)

GARAGE SALE October 2nd and 3rd, 9 to 5, 10903 Black Bear Rd., Cub Lake. Show case 22" x 6", electric hot water heater, clothes, many other items. (-1/10)

ADVERTISING DEADLINES: Regular Display - 1/2 to full page, 5 p.m. Thursday. All others 5 p.m. Friday. Classified Display - 12 noon Monday, Classified by the word - 12 noon Tuesday. These deadlines may change with notice due to holidays or special publication.

GARAGE SALE October 3rd, Saturday, 9 to 4, 1007 Ogema, (-1/10)

YARD SALE 707 Park St., Friday and Saturday, 8:30 to 4. Dishes, clothes, coats and miscellaneous. (-1/10)

GARAGE SALE Friday, Saturday, Sunday, October 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Tools, clothes, microwave, '89 snowmobile needs engine or repair, \$250, fishing, camping items and much miscellaneous items. Grayling Mobile Estates, 200 Crestwood. Rain or shine. (-1/10)

YARD SALE 7883 Military Rd. Miscellaneous tools, fishing, TV, chain saw, October 1st and 2nd, 8-4. (-1/10)

MOVE IN SALE Friday, 10/2, 10-?, Saturday, 10/3, 10-?. Woodland Rentals, North Down River Rd., across from Millikin Construction, watch for signs, household items, lots of miscellaneous. (-1/10)

YARD SALE Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, October 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 9-6, snow blower, freezer, gas stove, refrigerator, in addition to clothing and miscellaneous items. 8954 Twin Bridge Rd., Lovells, take County Rd. 612 north to Twin Bridge, 1 1/2 miles right side of road. (-1/10)

GARAGE SALE on Mikado Street, watch for signs. Lots of winter clothes, dishes, odds and ends, furniture, much more, check us out. Friday and Saturday, 9-5. (-1/10)

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GARAGE SALE Two family, M-72 West, 2nd house behind Aunt Betty's Restaurant. Friday and Saturday, 9-5. (-1/10)

HOUSEHOLD SALE Furniture, miscellaneous, appliances, clothing and more. Warbler's Way Inn, 900 Maple St., Grayling. (-1/10)

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1994 CHEVY S-10 BLAZER, 4 WD, loaded, one owner, never in accident, clean. \$10,500 (\$1,000 under bluebook!) 517-348-6708/heavenc@voyager.net. (-17-24-1-8/11)

TWO 1990 FORD ESCORTS, one, two door auto, one, four door, five speed, for parts, \$400 or best offer. (517) 275-5730. (-24-1-8/11)

1989 TOYOTA Four runner - 4WD V-6, 5-speed, moon roof, sports package, well maintained, one owner, \$7,000, (517) 348-8690. (-1-8/11)

1993 OLDS CUTLASS CIERA-6 Four door with 69,000 miles. Tilt, cruise, cassette, air, auto, full spare, etc. V-6. Mint. \$6,000. Must sell. (517) 821-9242 (Higgins Lake). (-1-8/11)

'79 BUICK RIVIERA black, does not run, have motor to switch out, \$300 or make offer, (517) 348-2249. (-1/11)

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This cute A-frame makes for a great hideaway, hunting camp or vacation getaway sitting on 2 lots with all the amenities that Warblers Hideaway has to offer and close to State Land, the AuSable River and Big Creek. #4294 \$39,900 Ask for Bob Pollack!



Nice Starter Home, or rental investment. Home features two bedrooms, one bathroom, Michigan basement and comes with stove and refrigerator. Newer siding, windows, well and septic. #4176 \$34,500 Ask for Jim Wiltse!



Tired of looking at hum-drum houses with no character? Look no further, this 3 bedroom home has plenty! Offering 2 bathrooms, large kitchen, vaulted-beam ceilings in living room, attached 2 car garage with addition, all situated on a large corner lot in Sherwood Forest Subdivision. Newly painted inside and out, and new roof shingles in 1998. #4338 \$80,900 Ask for Connie Winans!



Nice large, 3 bedroom home. Situated on 1.3 acre parcel, very close to Lake Margrethe. This home would make a great year round residence or recreational retreat. #4347 \$67,900 Ask for Bob Pollack.



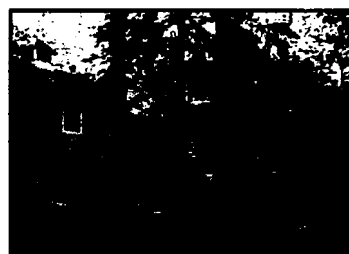
This fine home is located on an exceptionally large lot with a total privacy fence. Newly decorated with new floor covering. Includes stove, refrigerator, washer, dryer, and dishwasher. The home is extremely energy efficient with a 2-year old natural gas furnace and very economical utility bills. #4306 \$63,900.00 Ask for Jim Wiltse



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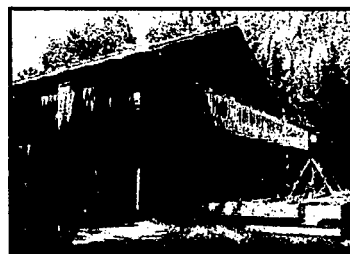
New listing. This clean 3 bedroom mobile home sits on a nicely wooded 2.5 acre parcel with 100's of acres of state land right across the street. Home has 1 1/2 baths, newer hot water heater, newer fast recovery water pump & a 28x28 garage for those snowmobilers and ORV's. Furnished and ready to move into! #4327 \$42,900 Ask for Randall Hartley.



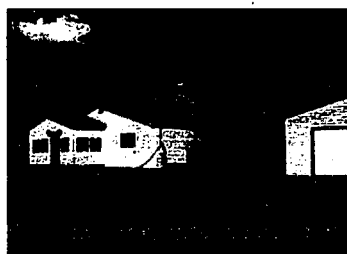
Commercial opportunity with attached 3 bedroom home has split stone fireplace & is as clean as can be. Shop has private entrance & separate bathroom facility. #3666 \$96,500 Ask for Connie Winans!



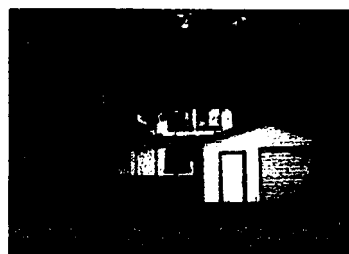
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